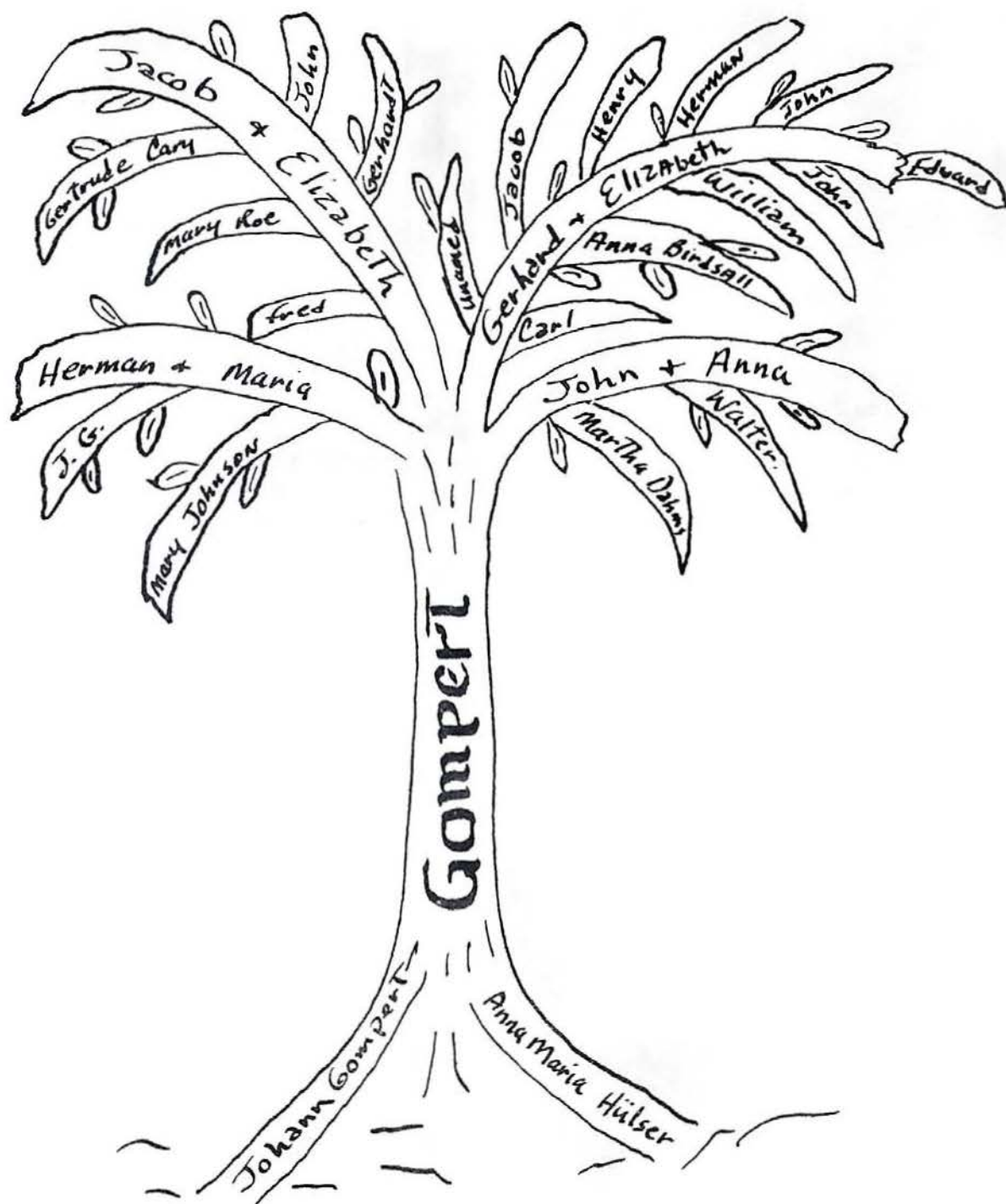


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FAMILY
TREE



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Dear Mr. Gompert,

Gompert is German. As a surname it identified a descendant of someone named Gombert or Gundobert, both are old Teutonic personal names meaning war and bright.

Other surnames with the same meaning are: Gumpert, Gumbert, Gombert, Gumprecht and Gundobert.

In the Middle AGes when surnames stabilized and became hereditary in most European countries, people were often known by the name of their father, grandfather or some other relative, and as a group these names make up about one-fourth of the German surnames.

Neither Gompert nor any of the other names I mentioned that have the same meaning are in the list of surnames published by the Social Security Office in Washington which means that fewer than 10,000 people in the U. S. have any one of them.

Thank you for writing.

Sincerely,

Mary Ellen B. Miller

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I would like to dedicate this book to
Ella A. Gompert, a warm and kind lady who endured
many hardships during her fruitful life. She was a
strong and happy person even up until the last. Her
love and kindness was an inspiration in compiling
this collection of materials.

Also to those pioneers who endured the hardships
of prairie life and laid the groundwork for what we
enjoy in America today.

A new child
is like a fresh bud
on the ancient tree
of generations.

Water the bud gently
so that it may grow and flower
bringing the old tree new life.

OLD INDIAN SAYING

Introduction

The following is a collection of the letters, notes, and interesting facts concerning the GOMPERT Family as it began in America in the late 1880's and as it continues today. It is not intended to be an attack on any one person or group, only a collection of memorabilia from the past to be preserved for the future.

While collecting the material for this book, it was gained as accurately as possible. Dates and people are entered where it seems more sensible, but, no doubt, there will be errors and it is hoped that if an error is found that it may be corrected.

The family history was put together in a way that it may be continued for at least two more generations. By using the family group sheets this can be accomplished by just filling in the appropriate spaces when the time arises. As seen on these family group sheets, there are also blank lines where there was no information entered--this can be filled out at your own discretion. It is hoped that by the time that this book is updated that most of the lines are filled out making it much easier for the person doing the work.

Finding out who you are may not be important to you at the present time but further on in our lineage there may be someone who wishes to update the "Tree" and it makes it much easier if the information happening now is written down and preserved for the future generations. Now is the time that you should talk to the older family members and note their stories and tales. Try to get a personal history of all individuals and gather all old photographs. All this adds interest to a family record and is a permanent record of today's activities and way of living.

Ethel Williams, author of Know Your Ancestors, describes a genealogist as "a full-time detective, a thorough historian, an inveterate snoop but at the same time a confirmed diplomat, a keen observer, a hardened skeptic, an apt biographer, a qualified linguist, a part-time lawyer, a studious sociologist, and above all, an accurate reporter".

It is hoped that the GOMPERT history will continue. Just because this book has been written is no reason for it to stop. The "Tree" is continuing to grow.

Acknowledgments

I wish to express my sincere thanks to J.G. Gompert (the oldest living member of the GOMPERT family) who graciously responded to my request to write a account of the early pioneer days of the Gompert family, and to those who helped me obtain the necessary data. A special "thanks" is expressed to my brother Walter Gompert who encouraged and supported me in my efforts to make this record possible, and to my son Leonard and his wife Dorene who allowed me to mimeograph the necessary stencils at their home.

Many errors will no doubt be found, but it is my sincere wish that corrections will be sent to me, and that the missing data will be supplied. Please notify me of births, deaths, and marriages in the family because I would like to keep my record up to date. Some day I may feel brave enough again to compile a more complete report. Perhaps this one will be useful in finding addresses for mailing purposes.

Martha Gompert Dahms

(This was written for the first family tree compiled by Martha)

We are especially grateful to Martha Dahms, who completed the first family tree and with out her help and her "Tree" it would have been a monumental task in collecting all the names and information contained in this work. When ever the need arose Martha also translated letters and other writings.

We are also thankful for the work Leon Gompert did in Germany while he was stationed there with the armed forces. His work included looking at the original church records of the Gompert families in Germany.

We are also thankful for all the other family members for sharing their stories and records so that this collection could be compiled and shared with anyone who would like to read it.

Michael E. Gompert
Larry Birdsall
1980

We would also like to thank and give the credit to the Everton Publisher's P.O. Box 368, Logan, Utah 84321 for allowing us to use the Publisher's form A1 in this book. We found this form to be very simple and easy to follow plus it can be used for generations yet to come.

THE COVER: Many thanks to Martha Dahms who created the original idea of the tree on the cover of this book. If it wasn't for her much of this work would have been much harder to obtain. I hope this will be a great tribute to her.

THE GOMPERT FAMILY

Heinrich Gompert, b. 1713 d.Sept.17, 1792 (79 years old)

I. Johann Heinrich Gompert, b.Feb. 20, 1755 Spellen. d. Aug 30, 1827 Spellen. m.Aug. 16, 1794 Maria Huser called Tollner b. May 9, 1765 Spellen. d. Oct. 10, 1852 Spellen. Had 4 minor children from 1st and 2nd m. Sick 4 days, had no doctor d. Spellen.

1. Elizabeth Gompert, b.Sept. 1800 (1799) d. June 29, 1829. (age 29 year 10 mo. Drowned, b. July 2, 1829) Died as E. Gompert.

2. Anna Gertrude Gompert, b.Feb 20, 1808 d. Baptized (Elizabeth) Sept. 23, 1817 as Anna Gertrude Gompert.

3. Jakob Gompert, b. Mar.6,1806 Spellen, d. Dec. 30, 1871. m. May 27, 1830, Anna Mechtilde Gangelhoff (called Ortmann) b. Mar. 1, 1807, d. July 23, 1880 Spellen. (Jacob died of old age, 63 yr. 9 mo. 24 da. from death register 1879-1895). #65

a. Gerhard Gompert, b. 1829, d.

b. Johann Gompert, b. June 2, 1830 Spellen, Ger. d.Mar. 26, 1900 Omaha, Nebr. m. Nov. 3, 1853 Maria Hulser from Lohnen dau. of Hermann Hulser and Anna Metes. Johann was baptized June 13, 1830.

1. Heinrich Gompert, b.July 26, 1854 d.

2. Wilhelm Gompert, b. Sept. 11, 1856 d.Feb. 24, 1934 Gorshof, Poland

3. Hermann Gompert, b. Feb. 13, 1859 d.Feb. 22, 1953 Mitchell, Nebr. He came to America in 1888-1889.

4. Jacob Gompert, b. Nov. 27, 1862 d. Feb 22, 1958 Mitchell, Nebr. He came to America October 14, 1887.

5. Gerhardt Gompert, b. Dec. 29, 1864 d. Oct. 1, 1948 Mitchell, Nebr. He came to America in 1888-1889

6. John Gompert, b. April 15, 1867 d. April 19, 1942 Waterloo, Iowa. He came to America along with his Father Johann in October 1, 1888

c. Wilhelm Herman Gompert, b. Nov.11, 1832 d. Lost a hand in Poland

1. Jacob Gompert, b. Mar 16, 1872 d.

2. Mechtilde Gompert, b. Mar. 16, 1872 d. Twins no Decend.

3. Helene Gompert, b. June 26, 1877 d. 2 son, 1 da.

4. Elizabeth Gompert, b. Dec. 12, 1879 d. 2 son, 3 da.

5. Heinrich Gompert, b. May 4, 1883 d. 1 son
Herman near Koln, who has 3 children (53 yr. in 1970)
 6. Herman Gompert, b. Oct. 29, 1886 d. 1 son 1 da.
(possibly in Meklenburg, Poland)
- d. Johann Heinrich Gompert, b. Aug 12, 1835 Spellen, Ger.
d. Oct. 26 1889 Spellen. m. Feb. 1, 1872 Gertrud Mechthilde
Juliane Kampen b. Apr. 4, 1849 Spellen d. Apr. 4, 1909
Spellen. Johann baptized Aug 23, 1835
1. Katherina Gompert, b. Dec. 4, 1877 d. 1956 m.
Johann Wilhelm Isselhorst b. Feb. 2, 1874 Hamminkein,
Ger. d. Nov. 8, 1916 Wesel, Ger.
 2. Johann Gompert, b. Dec. 25, 1886 Spellen, d. Dec. 26,
1964 Bochum-Werne. m. Aug. 14, 1919 Aenne Schmidt
in Langendreer dau. of Wilhelm Schmidt u. Ida
Wosthoff in Witten-Heven. They had 2 sons.
 3. Mechtilde Gompert, b. Apr. 25, 1880 d. Sept. 14, 1962
m. Jakob Bender Sept. 27, 1912. He was b. May 5, 1886
d. July 11, 1929. They had 4 children.
 4. Sophie Gompert, b. Mar. 20, 1889 d. Jan. 29, 1929
Spellen m. Gerhard Mertens, b. May 6, 1887 d. Oct. 30,
1959. They had eight children.
 5. Helene Gompert, b. Emmelsum, Ger. d. Apr. 16,
1956 Friedrichsfeld m. Hermann Abel b.
d. Friedrichsfeld. They had 5 children
 6. Gerhard Gompert, b. Dec. 28, 1878 Unter-Emmelsum d.
Dec. 11, 1965 Spellen. Unmarried, no children.
 7. Gertrud Gompert, b. Dec. 18, 1873 Unter-Emmelsum d.
Dec. 18, 1912 in Spellen Unmarried, no children.
 8. Hermann Gompert, b. 1875 Unter-Emmelsum d.
Jan. 19, 1955 Spellen. m. Emma Alsmert b..
d. Spellen. They had 3 children.
 9. Heinrich Gompert, b. Mar. 1, 1882 Unter-Emmelsum d.
Oct. 19, 1954 Friedrichsfeld. m. Katharine
Becker b. Aug. 25. 1882 Holthausen d. May 20, 1953
Friedrichsfeld. They had three children.
- e. Jakob Gompert, b. Dec. 3, 1844 d. May 24, 1919 74 yr. 4
mo. 28 da. m. Aug 12, 1975 Elizabeth Stuhkfart b. 1841
Spellen d. Nov. 26, 1900 59 yr. old. Both died in Poland
Elizabeth widow of Hermann Paschen dau. of Bernard Stuhlfart
and Katharina Nehles. (Wilhelmsau, Kreis County Wreschen
(Wrze'snia), Poland).
1. Maria Gompert, b. Feb 12, 1882 d. 3 son 2 da.

2. Bertha (Gompert) Fruhauf, b. Apr. 23, 1886 d. 1968
Friedrichsfeld. (near Spellen) 3 son 1 dau.
3. Wilhelm Gompert, b. d.
 1. Albert Gompert, b. 1906 m.
Elizabeth b. 1908
 1. Friedrich Wilhelm Gompert b.
d. m. 1938 Gisela Kepler
 1. Carmen Gompert, b. June 1960
 4. Mechtilde Gompert, b. d.
No decedents
 5. Helene Gompert, b. d.
3 sons and 3 dau.
 - f. Helene Gompert, b. d. Aug. 6, 1852
Diphtheria, sick 2 days.
4. Johann Heinrich Gompert, b. Dec. 7, 1810 d.
5. Hermann Tollner (named Gompert), b. d. Dec. 12, 1824-5
m. Anna gertrude Lemm Dec. 9, 1824. (Possibly a son of Maria
Hulser by previous marriage.)
- II. Heinrich Gompert, b. d. m. Apr. 19, 1798 Mrs.
Elizabeth Esmans b. d.
1. Heinrich Gompert, b. 1808 d. m. Gertrude Bardjes.
- III. Jacob Gompert, (named Drehner), b. d.
m. Feb. 10, 1812 Helen Cohmann (named Planshen).
1. Johann Gompert, b. Oct. 27, 1812 d.
2. Gerhard Gompert, b. Sept. 22, 1814 d. Mar. 2, 1815
3. Jacob Gompert, b. 1815 (pp. 31 of register)
4. Anna Maria Gompert, b. April 29, 1814 ?
5. Infant Dau. of Jacob Gompert and Margereth Sterering, d. 1 da.
old. b. Nov. 6, 1825 d. Nov. 7, 1825, born 12:30, not baptized
buried Nov. 8, 1825



Johann Gompert - Germany 1880



**Gravestone in Laurel Hill Cemetery
Omaha, Nebraska**



**Gompert Family - Taken in Germany - 1885 or 1887. L. to R. Wilhelm, John, Gerhardt,
Heinrich, Jacob, Hermann. All came to America except Heinrich and Wilhelm.**

Sunflower, Scottsbluff Co., Nebr.
The 10th December, 1894

Dear and beloved Wilhelm and bride, and all the dear ones there:

It is needful at the close of the old year to write to all you dear ones and give you some sign that we are alive. A half year has passed since you last wrote and you informed me that a dear little son was born to you. I have to excuse myself for letting you wait so long with my good luck wish and blessing. It did not happen intentionally but happened because you told me that brother lost a hand and that you intended to visit him. Therefore I sent a letter to Posen at once to express my deep felt sympathy, and to surprise you at the same time with my congratulations. I have never received another sign of life from brother Hermann nor from you.

If you want to do me a favor, then ask brother Hermann in Posen if he did not receive a letter from me in July to which I looked forward and hoped for an answer. Also I asked you to let my dear relatives in Lohnen read this letter, and I wish all lots of luck and blessing and especially the young ruler in your house. My blessing for the old into the New Year. How is brother-in-law Abal? Let him read this letter with the request also to waste a few drops of ink on me, because I hope that he has not entirely forgotten how to write.

Furthermore, I wish for the dear old Kampen (in reference to my unluckly son who stands before my eyes day and night) that under the circumstances he has a Happy New Year, and hope to God that those shattering and deep wounds will heal in time. Also hearty good wishes to my sister-in-law, Mattilde Gompert, and her children, and how are they? Wouldn't they like to come over pretty soon and get themselves an American? Girls can always make a good marriage here, and particularly Germans.

How is my cousin Toller and the Reits family? Everyone, everyone a Happy New Year. Where is Reit's oldest daughter? She could make a good profit here as midwife, and would be accepted wholeheartedly and would be welcome everywhere.

Our family here has multiplied by two: Gerhard's 4th son (Herman) and Jacob's first daughter (Gertrude) have been born. John is still single, and I would like to wish a suitable girl onto him from Germany since I am getting old and help is needed here. We are all real well and like it here real well, especially my wife who sends hearty greetings to all of you.

Now, finally something about our circumstances. Our cattle consist of about 50 head since we sold six steers this fall for 21 to 25 dollars per head. John sold all but three of his cattle and has bought 225 ewes where-by four rams have done their duty. There is a rapid increase, and the unsightly pastures bring in money. John will get 2000 sheep to tend next spring, wherefore he will get 30 dollars per month from the man for whom he herded sheep for a year, and now has bought the sheep. Since November he is here and it took six days to herd and pasture the sheep from Wyoming. This man was here earlier on a visit and liked it here, and was very satisfied with John, and therefore provided him with good stock. He has a herd of 6000.

I must also remark that we not only have half, but entirely divided and fenced our claims so that each half consists of 130 Prussian Morgan, and a flowing brook flows the entire length of each half and we will have open nature-warmed water because it is spring-fed.

Our house consists of six rooms, four below and two upstairs, and there is a cellar under half. We have not used our two claims except that we plowed 60 Prussian Morgan. We use them mostly for pasture since the community there is not yet settled. Then, later, if God is with us, we will put

a windmill there and raise more stock there, or when it is fenced, we can pasture cattle there since the two claims entail 520 Prussian Morgan. We have 7 head of horses, four are grown and three are still colts. Hermann has two strong workhorses. He lost one last year. Gerhard has four head two grown and two colts. Jacob has three. He bought two and his bride brought one along as dowery. Besides this, she had 21 head of cattle and 200 dollars in cash and so, their start was real easy, whereas Hermann and Gerhard had to lift themselves up without similar help, and each have, if I am not mistaken, about 30 head or thereabouts. Besides this, each sold 4-5 fat steers. They fenced their claims which lie together in partnership and also erected a windmill in partnership.

Gerhard has now moved into his new home which he and Hermann built this summer. They each built themselves a big horse barn. We have pastured our cattle with Jacob and Haubruck for the half of the increase during the winter and summer, and our milk cows are here in our meadow.

I will close in hopes that these few lines reach you in the best of health, as they have left us here. And urgently ask you to let all relatives read these few lines, and especially the old Kampen and his troubled _____ since writing is becoming real hard for me in that my fingers do not bend and move freely any more.

Herewith greets you heartily your dear father, grandfather, brother-in-law, uncle, and father.

Johann Gompert

Note: Mr. Kampen was a brother-in-law to one of the Gomperts and a friend of the family who may have taken charge of the children of Johann's son. (maybe Heinrich). The feeling is that he may have left them or in some way the children became orphaned.

Also it was found that Posen referenced here, is a city in Poland. From the letter it seems that Johann's brother, Hermann, migrated to Posen in Poland, and that had lost a hand.

It is apparent that the names Johann, Jakob, Hermann, Heinrich, Wilhelm, Anna, and Maria are common since five of Gerhards sons were named after his five brothers, and his daughter, Anna, has the same name as Gerhard's grandmother, Anna Metes.

On November 9, 1982 Martha Dahms informs us that Mr. Kampen was the Father-in-law to Heinrich Gompert who later committed suicide.

WILL

John Gompert Sr.
and

Gertrude Gompert

To
John Gompert Jr.

This agreement made and entered into this 10th day of May A.D. 1892. Between John Gompert Sr. and Gertrude Gompert his wife of Sioux County, State of Nebraska of the first part and John Gompert Jr. of the same place of the second part. Witnesseth that in consideration of the sum of one dollar to them in hand paid by the said John Gompert Jr. and in further consideration of natural love and affection and of the conditions and agreements herein after contained the said John Gompert Sr. and Gertrude Gompert agree that the said John Gompert Jr. shall be and become their sole heir at law and devisee to the extent that as such he shall inherit the following described real estate situated lying and being in Sioux County and State of Nebraska to wit; The $N\frac{1}{2}NE\frac{1}{4}$, $NW\frac{1}{4}SE\frac{1}{4}$, $NE\frac{1}{4}SW\frac{1}{4}$ of Section number 26 in Township no. Twenty-four (24) north Range Fifty-six (56) west of the 6th P.M. Containing one hundred and sixty acres more or less to have and to hold the same as his sole and absolute property. And to here as the said tract of land is held by the said John Gompert Sr. under a homestead filing and the legal title thereto is in the United States the said John Gompert Sr. hereby agrees to perfect said entry so that this contract may be the better carried out and perfected as soon as five years shall have elapsed from the date of said homestead filing.

It further agrees that the said John Gompert Sr. and Gertrude Gompert shall erect-construct and maintain permanent buildings on said land of the value of four hundred dollars (\$400.00). It is also expressly understood and agreed that the said John Gompert Sr. and Gertrude Gompert shall have use and enjoy said land and premises during their joint and several lives and that they or either of them will not mortgage or otherwise encumber said land and premises. It is further expressly agreed and understood that the said land and premise shall stand charge with the payment of the sum of four hundred dollars to Gerhard Haubruck and Elisabeth Haubruck to be divided equally between them and in manner as follows: If both the said John Gompert Sr. and Gertrude Gompert should die before final proof is made on said land then the sum paid of four hundred dollars shall not be payable until five years from the date of said homestead filing, but if final proof should be made thereon by said John Gompert Sr. then the said sum of four hundred dollars shall become payable upon the death of the survivor of the said John Gompert Sr. or Gertrude Gompert, or either of them reserves the right to surrender said lands and premises to the widow and child or children of said John Gompert Jr. if he should leave any heirs surviving in which event the said sum of four hundred dollars shall at once become payable to the said Gertrude Gompert. In witness where-at the parties hereto have hereunto set their hands the day and year first above written.

Witness .
W.J. Richardson .
N.M. Richardson .

Johann Gompert
Mrs Johann Gompert
John Gompert

State of Nebraska .
Scotts Bluff County . ss

On this 10th day of May A.D. 1892 before me, Nellei M, Richardson a Notary Public duly commissioned and qualified residing in said county, personally came John Gompert Sr. , Gertrude Gompert

his wife and John Gompert Jr., to me personally known to be the identical persons whose names are signed to the foregoing instrument and acknowledged the same to be their voluntary act and deed

Witness my hand and notorial seal the day and year above written.

Nellei M. Richardson
Notary Public

(seal) .
State of Nebraska .
Sioux County .
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Filed for record and entered in Miscellaneous Index
this 6th day of August 1894, at 11 o'clock and 30 minutes A.M. and recorded in Book A of Miscellaneous record on pages 198-199.

M.J. Blewett
County Clerk

Note: Taken from the Sioux County records at Harrison, Nebraska

Died in an Omaha Hospital.

John Gompert, Sr., died at Omaha, in one of the hospitals of that city on March 26th. He had gone down there in the prior week, accompanied by Rev. E. H. T. Walther, who returned after seeing him settled there. As the old gentleman had stood the trip well, his wife and relatives were shocked to receive a telegram announcing his death. Mr. Gompert was about seventy-one years of age and had been a resident of this section for many years. He leaves his wife, and several sons who are substantial and respected citizens, to all of whom the public will extend sympathy in their loss.

April 6, 1900
Gering Courier

3 b. Johann Gompert Family

1. Heinrich Gompert, b. July 26, 1854, Spellen, d. 18__ suicide, Spellen.
 1st. m.
 2nd. m.
1. Maria Gompert, b. d. Arpsdorf. m.
 Heinrich Able b. d.
2. Gerhard Gompert, b. July 12, 1885, Worked on railroad. d.
- 3.
2. Wilhelm Gompert, b. Sept. 11, 1856, Spellen. d. Feb. 24, 1934, Gorzhof, Poland. m. Gertrud Lemm b. Mar. 2, 1863 d. July 31, 1941
 Gorzhof, Poland. Buried at Lubbecke, Germany.
1. Christian Gompert, b. Dec. 30, 1893 d. Jan. 12, 1951
2. Hermann Gompert, b. Nov. 8, 1896 d. m.
 Emma
1. Elisabeth Gompert, b. d. March 4, 1953
3. Maria Gompert, b. Mar. 5, 1899 d. Nov. 1, 1961 m. Robke
 1. Edith, b. d. 3 boys
4. Gerhardt Gompert, b. Aug. 25, 1901 d. m. Nov. 27, 1941 Hanna
 Burmeier b. d.
1. Brunhild Gompert, b. Aug. 11, 1942 d. Oct. 26, 1953 auto accident.
2. Gertraud Gompert, b. Jan. 26, 1949
3. Irma Gompert, b. May 21, 1951
5. Ernst Gompert, b. Dec. 5, 1902 d. June 6, 1961 buried in Bielefeld.
1. Gertrud Gompert, b. Aug. 5, 1936; m. 1957 Horst Wahler
2. Gerd Gompert, b. Sept. 12, 1940

Bielfeld, 14 April 55

Dear Family Johnson:

For the Easter greetings, we received with great joy, we thank you very much. Please excuse us for writing you so seldom, but often one imagines not to have enough time, but still time for unimportant things in life. That's the way people are, and are used up that way. From the times past, that were bad here, we are in your deep debt. All of you supported us so much and we don't know how we can ever repay you. May the good Lord bless you for it.

Now something about us: Since July 1950 I am with my children Gertrud and Gerd in Bielefeld and run in our rebuilt house a shoemaker business with a helper. For three hours daily we have a woman come to clean rooms and cook. I don't know if I will ever marry again, because the kids are big now. Gertrud is 20 on Aug. 5 and Gerd 15 on 12 Sept. I think I wrote you that my ex-wife remarried again. Sister Marie lives with her family in (Bonn Weiher str. 13). Brother in (Bad Salzuflen Wellenfeld Str. 10) and brother Hermann on (Lubbecke Uiedertor str. 27) Brother Gerhard is a postal employee in Bielefeld and brother Hermann had 2 daughters, one died when 18, the second when 25 years old.

My great grandfather had as far as I know 3 sons; Johann (America) Hermann and Jakob moved earlier to Posen (East Germany)

Johann (America) 6 sons

Hermann (Posen) 3 sons and 3 daughters

Jakob (Posen) 1 son and 2 or 3 daughters

Of your father's brother Heinrich, who died in Rhine Province, there are some children. But at the moment I cannot say how many he had. Anyhow, one daughter Marie Husing (nee Gompert) still lives in Holstein. She lost her first husband Heinrich Abel during WW I in Russia. Some time ago I sent her your address, she probably wrote you. In my next letter I can make you a better list. Now I would like to ask you how Uncle Jake is, hopefully well. Write me how old Uncle Jake is now. I also have to write to your brother Gerhard in Caldwell, Idaho, but say hello if you write sooner. Since our Gertrud has little time, I had to write this letter to you. It may be hard for you to decipher, but Uncle Jake can translate it. I put a picture of my son Gerd in, who was confirmed on the 20th of March 1955. In my next letter I'll send a picture of me and Gertrud.

Now my dear family Johnson, I'll come to a close of these lines and remain with best greetings to all of you

Yours

Ernst Gompert, Gertrud
and Gerd

Many hearty greetings to Uncle Jakob and all relatives in America. Stay healthy and write again, soon, because we are always happy to get mail from you. May our dear Lord give long health to Uncle Jake and satisfaction to all of you.

Bad-Salzuflen the 22nd of June
1977

My dear cousin Martha and family!

Yes, it is about time that Gerhard let himself be heard from. You've already waited a while to hear from me. Therefore, please accept my apology. I've been back from the Rhineland since June 15 and I can tell you finally something for your investigation of our ancestors. I went from Spellen to the parish in Friedrichsfeld three times and then twice to the register in Voerde and Wesel. However I didn't get what I'd hoped, concerning the ancestors of the Gompert's. I then went to the parish in Gatterswickerhamm to see about mother's ancestors and I can tell you something about the grandparents and great-grandparents on mother's side. Finally I visited the Isselhorst family and Ann said that her brother, Wilhelm in Voerde could help us further in the investigation of the Gompert's. On June 18 I received these documents from Anna's brother and unfortunately it's still incomplete. In spite of that I'm happy to send these to you. As long as I can, I will try to find out more for your ancestor table. On Thursday the 23rd of June I will travel to the eastern zone (D.D.R.) to the cousins in Wundersleben near Erfurt in Thuringes. They were descendants of our grandfathers brother Jacob Gompert who with his brother Hermann emigrated to America to _____. Yes, the Gomperts were already even at that time a travel thirsty people. It's even that way with me, even if I am nearly 76. I never have been a person to sit still, and Hanna is the opposite, she feels her best when she is at home.

Now, how about you. How are you? Are you still a motorist? And do you still do all the work in the house and garden? Yes it is God's gift, when one can still do it himself. And to be as long as possible your own man in your own house. How is the weather there? Here it is at the present time very changeable. Today, at the beginning of summer, the sun has not shined once. However the roses and flowers are bluming, as is the custom, even the wheat looks good. Many strawberries are rotting because there's no sun. In July the weather should be better. How are Walter and his wife, children and grandchildren? The grandchildren should be adults now. We are happy that our Irma isn't in Kappstadt any more, she was with us for 4 weeks. Now she is in St. Moritz in Switzerland. Gertraud, the eldest helps mother at home. So I wish you the best and greet you once again.

Your cousin and Uncle
Gerhardt out of the
old country.

Note: Written by Gerhardt Gompert who lives in Germany and his father was Wilhelm, one of the brothers who stayed in Germany

Bielfeld, 27 April 1958

My dear Cousin Gerhard and daughter!

We received your letter in good German, and thank you very much. You told me lots about your family in America, which I was glad to know. I am also sympathetic about the loss you have to bear, nothing can be worse than to lose his dear wife and mother. We humans have to take this unchangeable destiny and who could we complain to. Life goes on with daily duties and we have to bend as long as we are guests on this earth. Uncle Jakob also left us now with a blessed age of 95. My brother Hermann in Lubbecke received the death announcement. Our father died at 77 and our mother at 78 and she died in June 1941. Not everybody reaches a high age like uncle. Many die here now of heart-attacks with mere 50 or 60 years. Magnamity and restless times is probably more than right to our Lord, and the reason.

Maybe there are some of uncle Jakes children coming for the world exposition in Brussels (Belgium) and visit us, we would be happy. Brother Ernst is still on crutches. He should be 30 pounds lighter, his blood pressure is also up- 240-250.

My sister Marie is a Bible researcher and they have a Congress in USA this summer. Maybe she can go to USA, I visited her in Bonn. I am in the Black Forrest near Switzerland for recovery.

On May 6 I go to a golden wedding of an Aunt (nee Gompert) in Voerde (Dinslaken). It is also a family celebration of all Gompert's. The Aunt is a daughter of a brother of our grandfather. I am writing this letter on the night-shift in the post office, which I am on every fourth night. From Salzuflen to Bielfeld, it is 20 Kilometers and I can travel every hour by bus and costs weekly 8.50 Marks, the dollar is 4 Marks + 20 Pfennig. I add a picture of my children from 1953. Brunhild would have been 16 now but is 4 years already dead.

Dear Gerhard, don't be mad that I didn't answer sooner. I hope you can read this letter better. I have a bad handwriting.

Now my dear Cousin Gerhard and Daughter I want to close with best, hearty greetings

Cousin Gerhard and Family
Please write again

The writer of this letter is a son of Wilhelm Gompert, one of the original brothers who stayed in Germany.

Mr. Gerhard Gompert
Wellenfeld 10
4902 Bad Salzuflen

Dear Mr. Gompert:

Understandably, I've shared with you what I know of the ancestors in the Gompert Family. I don't have any more.

It is interesting perhaps that here in 1860 the meadows and fields and land were divided among the community.

The Gompert's received the Spellner heath, then later troop exercise field Friedrichsfeld. They sold the Spellner Heide for 3000 prussian dollars to the prussian state. From the money, my grandfather bought Kathe in Spellen and then moved to Spellen where the Gompert's were residents.

It was said that the emigrants used their part of the money to purchase land in Nebraska and Posen. That's what my uncle who is now dead, had said.

I hope that I have helped you. Please excuse the mistakes, I am a bad typist.

To you, I wish every thing Good,
I am with friendly greetings
Yours,

Note: This letter was received by Gerhard Gompert from Anna Isselhorst's brother, Wilhelm Isselhorst, in Germany. The letter was written in 1977.



Gerhardt Gompert, son of Wilhelm
Gompert, May 1970.

The following letters were written to Eloise Littlejohn and Mary Johnson from Ernst Gompert's daughter, Gertrude. Ernst Gompert's father was Wilhelm, one of the Gompert brothers who stayed in Germany while the others came to America in the late 1880's.

Bielefeld, 19th of Oct. 1955

Dear Eloise!

Many thanks for your nice letter! I had much fun, to get it. But I am very sorry to write you, as now I am off from school since 4 years and I nearly have forgotten everything, once I learned in the English lesson. Therefore please, excuse me for my bad writing.

We all are glad, Uncle Jake is still well and all of your family too. The same we can say of ours.

Little Mary, I have given your address to a boy of 14 who is living in our house. He is fond of writing you a letter. There are no children in your age, who can write to you as in school they begin with English lessons in the 5th grade, (being 10 or 11 years old) but that is not yet enough for writing a letter. I hope, you will understand with that boy, too, though he is elder. Next time I will be here around if there are more children who would like to correspond. My brother Gerd is 15 years now.

He asked me to write to you, if there is a boy or a girl of his age, to correspond with him?

Myself I am learning in a shop to sell cameras, perfumes, lipstick, and so on, I don't know, how it is called in English, in German "Dragerie".

I would enjoy hearing from you another time.

Many happy regards to you, dear Eloise, your husband, to Mary and Janet.

Your Gertrude

Please, give greetings to Aunt Mary and the family.

Bielefeld, July 10th 1962

Dear Eloise!

I thank you very much for your dear letter, but it is a bad news you write to me. We extend our deepest sympathy to you and your whole family losing your mother. I know it is a great loss for everyone of you, but I think if she had to suffer such a great pain, she is in peace now.

I also enjoyed the lines your father has written. Especially for him it must be hard. I ask you to say him many greetings and I thank him for writing. Many greetings and thanks for writing to your sister Elberta Bently, too.

I read you already have grown up children. It is very good for a girl to make dresses for herself. Myself I can't, but it would be very useful if I could. Is Mary K. still going to school? Playing the piano as Janet does is a pretty thing. These are two different hobbies the girls have. Am I right thinking that Carol plays with dolls?

You write you had much rain and crops are not very good. Here it is very cold (8 degrees) and always rain now in July. A very bad summer.

Do you have fields yourself and are you farmers or what is your husband's job?

Horst, my husband, works in a factory, where they produce dresses for men. There he has to manage the material. But I think I have already written it. You must have much work with your household and your three girls. I am proud about your having taken time to answer my letter.

Next week our holidays begin. Two young people, married, are our friends. With them we want to spend our holidays in Yugoslavia. We hope to have much fun.

If you could send me a picture of yourself and your family, I would be very glad.

Gerd is in Berlin from 2nd till 7th of July. He has gone there with his class and with his teacher. They go to see the wall which the East-German system has built there, and they will hear reports about communistic policy.

With love

Gertrud

P.S. Is your name Eloise?

Bielefeld, 23. 5. 62.

Dear Aunt Mary!

Do you remember the girl Gertrud Gompert, who has written you letters after war? You sent many parcels to my family.

Now I am married. My husband is called Horst Wahler. My "little" brother Gerd is twenty one years old now. He lives in Bielefeld with out mother, where I live with my husband, too. Our father, Ernst Gompert, has died last June (1961). You hear, many things happened during the last year.

Indeed, I am ashamed that I have not written such a long time. But I think it is better I write even after some years, than never.

Some months ago Leon Gompert has visited us. He came from Spain where he did his service. But you may know about his visit. Leon told us, you were not in good health. I hope you are better now.

We have married in November 1957. It is very difficult for all people in Germany to get a dwelling. One years time we lived in only one room. Then in two and now at last we have a dwelling of three rooms, a kitchen and a bath-room. We are very glad about it.

Our Aunt Marie, father's sister has died in November 1961, only five months after our father. You know, she lived near Berlin with her family. Now her husband and her daughter Edith, with her family, live in Bonn. Edith has three very nice boys. We have no children yet, but we hope to get one.

This year we have a very bad spring. Much rain and very cold. We hope to get a better summer.

Once your daughter E. Littlejohn has written a letter to me. I would be interested to hear what she is doing now, something about her and her daughters, Mary and Janet.

If you do answer my letter, I am very lucky about. I hope you can

read and understand my words. About ten years I am off from school.
During this time I have heard no English words.

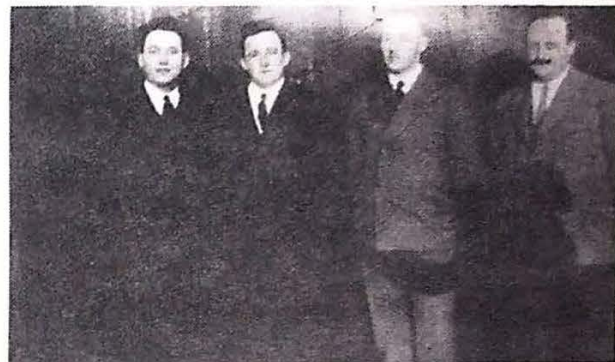
My kind regards to you,
dear Aunt Mary and to your
family.

Sincerely

Gertrud



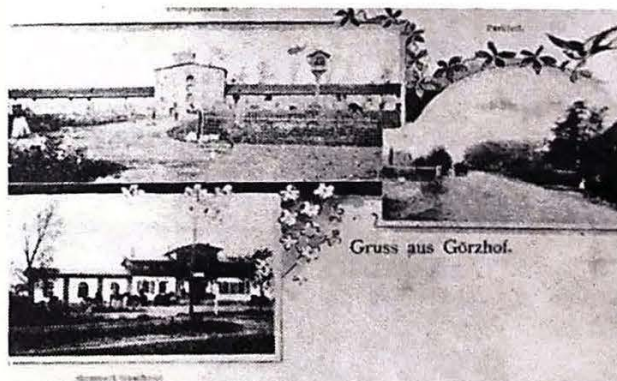
Wilhelm and Gertrude Gompert - 1926



**Sons of Wilhelm: Ernst, Gerhard, Hermann,
and Christian - 1934.**



**Christian's wife, Christian, Wilhelm, and
Ernst in Gorshof, Poland - 1930-32.**



Gompert guest house in Poland

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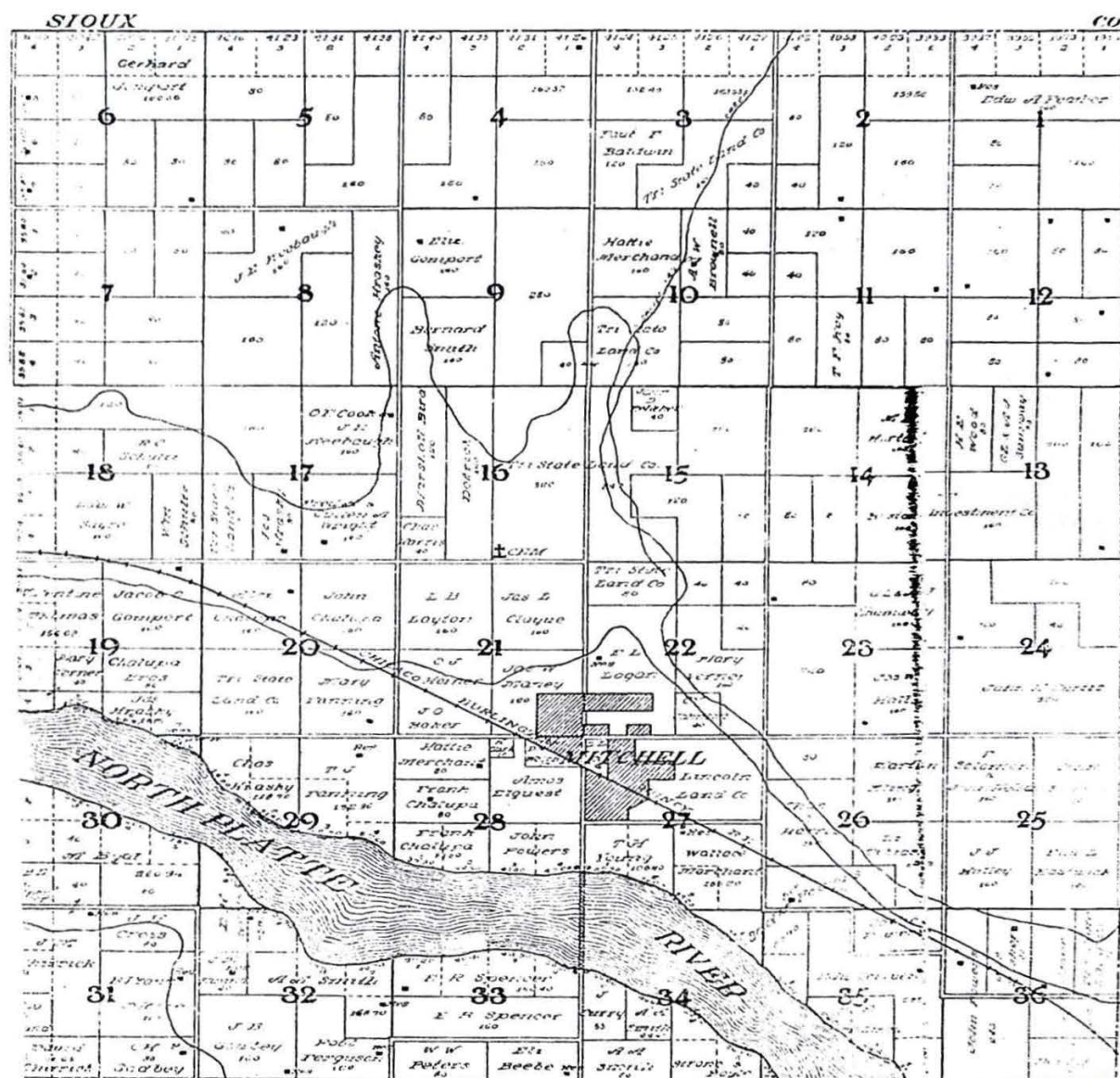
GOMPERT BROTHERS

WHO CAME TO AMERICA 1887-1889

JACOB

JOHANN - JOHN

HERMANN - GERHARDT





Valentine Thomas, Hermann Gompert and Maria, Elizabeth and Jacob, Gerhardt Gompert, Gerhard and Florence, Mary and Clyde Johnson.



Herman, Jacob, and Gerhardt Gompert



Jacob, John, and Gerhardt Gompert



J.G. and Mary Gompert - 1898

3 b. Johann Gompert Family

3. Hermann Gompert, son of Johann and Maria Hulser Gompert, b. Feb. 13, 1859 Spellten, Ger.; d. Feb. 22, 1953, Mitchell, Nebr.; buried at Mitchell, Nebr.; m. July 5, 1884 in Germany, Maria Fuenderich, b. Nov. 7, 1851 Issum, Ger., d. June 10, 1945, Santa Monica, California, Buried, Santa Monica.
 1. John Gerhard Gompert (J.G.), b. Mar. 28, 1885, Huelsdung, Ger., d. Dec. 16, 1971; m. at Alliance, Nebr. June 30, 1909 Mae Eliza Casson, dau. of Thos. and Mary Casson, b. Feb. 5, 1890 at Randolph, Nebr. d. Jan. 28, 1957 at Caldwell, Idaho, Both buried at Caldwell.
 1. Erma Violet Gompert, b. Mar. 26, 1910 Mitchell, Nebr. d. Mar. 26, 1910 Mitchell, Nebr.
 2. Clemet Gompert, b. Nov. 13, 1911 Mitchell, Nebr. d. Nov. 13, 1911 Mitchell, Nebr.
 3. Clarice Gompert, b. Apr. 19, 1913 Mitchell, Nebr. School teacher never married. Lives at Caldwell, Idaho.
 4. Howard Elmer Gompert, b. Aug. 1, 1918 Mitchell, Nebr. m. Las Vegas, Nev. Jan. 4, 1942. Laura Jane Mosher, dau. of _____ b. Elyria, Ohio Mar. 1, 1915
 1. Christopher Howard Gompert, b. Feb. 7, 1944 Monteray, Calif. m. Norma Valenti Bates (divor.) with 4 children.
 2. Douglas Jay Gompert, b. Oct. 6, 1948 Pasadena, Calif. m. Laverne Wiggins (divor.) with 3 children.
 3. Frederick Gompert, b. July 22, 1950 Pasadena, Calif. m. Kathleen Leary, 2 sons, Dayne b. 1975, Justin b. 1977.
 2. Mary Gompert, b. Nov. 7, 1890 Mitchell, Nebr. d. Apr. 21, 1962 Mitchell, Nebr. m. Alliance, Nebr. Dec. 28, 1909 Clyde E. Johnson Sr. b. July 24, 1889 at Lewis, Iowa. d. May 1, 1971 Mitchell, Nebr.
 1. Herman Edward Johnson, b. Mar. 2, 1911 Mitchell, Nebr. d. Mar. 3, 1911 Mitchell, Nebr.
 2. Elberta Johnson, b. Apr. 2, 1912 Mitchell, Nebr. m. Robert Elder and Divor. m. Mitchell, Nebr. Jan. 6, 1947 Virgil Bently, son of Harold Bently. b. Sept. 10, 1919 Giltner, Nebr.
 1. Bill Bruce Bently, b. Feb. 1, 1951 Mitchell, Nebr.
 2. Beth Ann Bently, b. Nov. 25, 1956 (adopted)
 3. Edgar Johnson, b. Nov. 30, 1913 Mitchell, Nebr. m. Jan. 22, 1937 Chadron, Nebr. Elsie Benthack b. Aug. 3, 1911 Platte Center, Nebr. d. Jan. 28, 1970 Mitchell, Nebr. Later m. Jan. 15, 1971 Violet Miller.
 1. Clayton Lewis Johnson, b. Nov. 2, 1938 Mitchell, Nebr.

3 b. Johann Gompert Family
Hermann Gompert Branch

2. Carolyn Beth Johnson, b. Nov. 9, 1940 Mitchell, Nebr.
3. Shirley Ann Johnson, b. July 29, 1943 Mitchell, Nebr.
4. Eva Johnson, b. May 28, 1916 Mitchell, Nebr. m. Reuben Steinmark and divor.. m. Nov. 30, 1944 Mitchell, Nebr. Roy Hilyard b. Apr. 30, 1911 Mitchell, Nebr.
 1. Gary lee Steinmark Hilyard, b. Nov. 4, 1938 Mitchell, Nebr.
 2. LaVern Blair Steinmark Hilyard, b. July 6, 1942 Mitchell Nebr.
 3. Preston Clyde Hilyard, b. Dec. 6, 1945 Mitchell, Nebr.
5. Eloise Johnson, b. July 16, 1919 Mitchell, Nebr. m. Jan. 2, 1939 Harrisburg, Nebr. Elmer Littlejohn b. Dec. 23, 1915 Timnath, Colo.
 1. Mary Kathleen Littlejohn, b. Oct. 24, 1946 Mitchell, Nebr.
 2. Janet Lynn Littlejohn, b. Dec. 19, 1949 Mitchell, Nebr.
 3. Carol Ann Littlejohn, b. Sept. 7, 1958 Mitchell, Nebr.
6. Clyde Johnson Jr., b. Jan. 28, 1927 Mitchell, Nebr. m. July 6, 1973 Evelyn Lorene Thorson at Mitchell, Nebr. Evelyn b. Apr. 24, 1933 Mitchell, Nebr. dau. of Carl A. Thorson and Anny Louise Swanson



J.G. and Mae Gompert

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ Husband's Full Name Christopher Howard Gompert

This Information Obtained From:	Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
	Birth	7	2	1944	Carmel		Calif.	
	Chr'nd							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

Places of Residence

Occupation _____ Church Affiliation _____ Military Rec. _____

Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

His Father Howard Elmer Gompert Mother's Maiden Name Laura J. Mosher

Wife's Full Maiden Name Norma "Micki" Valenti Bates

Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
	Birth	15	9	1945	New York		New York
	Chr'nd						
	Death						
	Burial						

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Places of Residence

Address _____ Occupation if other than Housewife _____ Church Affiliation _____

City, State _____ Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Tamara Healey
Make separate sheet for each mar.

Date _____ Her Father _____ Mother's Maiden Name _____

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
2 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
3 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
4 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
5 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
6 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
7 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
8 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No.		Husband's Full Name				Douglas Jay Gompert	
This Information Obtained From:		Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.
H.E. Gompert		Birth	6	10	1947	Pasadena	Calif.
		Chr'nd					
		Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
		Places of Residence					
		Occupation		Church Affiliation		Military Rec.	
		Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.					
		His Father Howard E. Gompert			Mother's Maiden Name Laura J Mosher		
		Wife's Full Maiden Name Laverne Pavlikowski					
		Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.
		Birth	24	3	1931	Chicago	Ill.
		Chr'nd					
		Death					
		Burial					
Compiler		Places of Residence					
Address		Occupation if other than Housewife		Church Affiliation			
City, State		Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.					
Date		Her Father			Mother's Maiden Name		
Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country
1	Birth						
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
2	Birth						
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
3	Birth						
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
4	Birth						
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
5	Birth						
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
6	Birth						
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
7	Birth						
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
8	Birth						
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						

FAMILY GROUP No.

Husband's Full Name

Frederick Gompert

This Information Obtained From:

Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
Birth	22	7	1950	Pasadena		Calif.	
Chr'nd							
Mar.							
Death							
Burial							

Places of Residence

Occupation

Church Affiliation

Military Rec.

Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

His Father Howard E Gompert

Mother's Maiden Name Laura J Mosher

Wife's Full Maiden Name Kathleen Leary

Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Birth	15	4	1953	San Francisco		Calif.	
Chr'nd							
Death							
Burial							

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Places of Residence

Address

Occupation if other than Housewife

Church Affiliation

City, State

Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

Date

Her Father

Mother's Maiden Name

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1 Dayne Gompert Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	25	7	1974	Sacramento		Calif.	
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
2 Justin Gompert Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	8		1977	Sacramento		Calif.	
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
3 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
4 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
5 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
6 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
7 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
8 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ Husband's Full Name Bill Bruce Bently

This Information Obtained From:	Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
	Birth	1	2	1951	Scottsbluff		Nebr.	
	Chr'nd	3	6	1951	Mitchell		Nebr.	Fed. Chr.
	Mar.	7	9	1971	Denver		Colo.	Derby Commu-
	Death							nity Chr.
	Burial							

Places of Residence

Occupation

Church Affiliation

Military Rec.

Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

His Father Virgil Eugene Bently Mother's Maiden Name Elberta Mary Johnson

Wife's Full Maiden Name Jodene Beth Thomas

Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Birth	20	1	1953	Scottsbluff		Nebr.	St. Mary's
Chr'nd	28	1	1953	Mitchell		Nebr.	St. Theresas
Death							
Burial							

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Places of Residence

Address

Occupation if other than Housewife

Church Affiliation

City, State

Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

Date

Her Father William James Thomas Mother's Maiden Name Mary Kathryn Merrigan

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1 <u>Dominic Joel Bently</u> Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	19	1	1973	Scottsbluff		Nebr.	St. Mary's
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
2 <u>Kelli Elizabeth</u> Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	2	10	1975	Scottsbluff		Nebr.	St. Mary's
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
3 <u>Full Name of Spouse*</u>	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
4 <u>Full Name of Spouse*</u>	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
5 <u>Full Name of Spouse*</u>	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
6 <u>Full Name of Spouse*</u>	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
7 <u>Full Name of Spouse*</u>	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
8 <u>Full Name of Spouse*</u>	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No.		Husband's Full Name		Marvin Troy Wondercheck			
This Information Obtained From:		Husband's Date	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
		Birth	1 9 1954	Scottsbluff		Nebr.	Meth. Hosp.
		Chr'nd					
		Mar.	17 12 1972	Mitchell		Nebr.	Fed. Chr.
		Death					
		Burial					
Places of Residence							
		Occupation		Church Affiliation		Military Rec.	
Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.							
		His Father		Harold Dean Wondercheck		Mother's Maiden Name	
						Leslie Merle Garvin	
		Wife's Full Maiden Name		Beth Ann Bently			
		Wife's Date	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
		Birth	25 11 1956	Scottsbluff		Nebr.	Adopt.
		Chr'nd	1 9 1957	Mitchell		Nebr.	Fed. Chr.
		Death					
		Burial					
Compiler		Places of Residence					
Address		Occupation if other than Housewife		Church Affiliation			
City, State		Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.					
Date		Her Father		Virgil Eugene Bently		Mother's Maiden Name	
						Elberta Mary Johnson	
Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)		Children's Date	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1 Michael Scott W. Full Name of Spouse*		Birth	12 9 1973	Scottsbluff		Nebr.	St. Mary's
		Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
2 Donna Ann W. Full Name of Spouse*		Birth	5 12 1977	Scottsbluff		Nebr.	St. Mary's
		Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
3		Birth					
Full Name of Spouse*		Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
4		Birth					
Full Name of Spouse*		Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
5		Birth					
Full Name of Spouse*		Mar.					
		Death					
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6		Birth					
Full Name of Spouse*		Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
7		Birth					
Full Name of Spouse*		Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
8		Birth					
Full Name of Spouse*		Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ Husband's Full Name Clayton Lewis Johnson

This Information Obtained From:	Husband's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
	Birth	2 11 1938	Scottsbluff		Nebr.	
	Chr'nd					
	Mar.	25 6 1965	Mitchell		Nebr.	Meth. Chr.
	Death					
	Burial					

Places of Residence

Occupation

Church Affiliation

Military Rec.

Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

His Father Edgar Clyde Johnson Mother's Maiden Name Elsie Benthack

Nunn Family History
Available

Wife's Full Maiden Name Janet Ruth Nunn

Wife's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Birth	19 2 1939	Lakin		Kansas	
Chr'nd	1975	Mitchell		Nebr.	Fed. Chr.
Death					
Burial					

Palm Sunday-----

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Places of Residence

Address

Occupation if other than Housewife

Church Affiliation

City, State

Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

Date

Her Father Pete Nunn

Mother's Maiden Name Neva Barber

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1 Dean Edward J. Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	13 1 1967	Scottsbluff		Nebr.	
	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
2 Debra Lorraine J. Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	19 1 1971	Scottsbluff		Nebr.	
	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
3 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
4 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
5 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
6 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
7 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
8 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					

FAMILY GROUP No.		Husband's Full Name		Edward Allen Westcott			
This Information Obtained From:		Husband's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
		Birth	29 5 1939	Lexington		Nebr.	
		Chr'nd					
		Mar.	19 7 1963	Mitchell		Nebr.	Fed. Chr.
		Death					
		Burial					
Places of Residence							
		Occupation		Church Affiliation		Military Rec.	
Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.							
His Father Leo Westcott				Mother's Maiden Name Lovina Schultz			
		Wife's Full Maiden Name		Carolyn Beth Johnson			
		Wife's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
		Birth	9 11 1940	Scottsbluff		Nebr.	
		Chr'nd					
		Death					
		Burial					
Compiler		Places of Residence					
Address		Occupation if other than Housewife		Church Affiliation			
City, State		Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.					
Date		Her Father Edgar C. Johnson		Mother's Maiden Name Elsie Benthack			
Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)		Children's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1 Shirley Marie W. Full Name of Spouse*		Birth	27 6 1965	Salt Lake City		Utah	
		Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
2 Sonda Ann W. Full Name of Spouse*		Birth	23 10 1966	Salt Lake City		Utah	
		Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
3 Mark Allen W. Full Name of Spouse*		Birth	17 8 1968	Salt Lake City		Utah	
		Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
4 Full Name of Spouse*		Birth					
		Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
5 Full Name of Spouse*		Birth					
		Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
6 Full Name of Spouse*		Birth					
		Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
7 Full Name of Spouse*		Birth					
		Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
8 Full Name of Spouse*		Birth					
		Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					

FAMILY GROUP No.		Husband's Full Name		Alfred Samuel Messina				
This Information Obtained From:		Husband's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband	
		Birth	30 1 1947	Philadelphia		Penn.		
		Chr'nd						
		Mar.	1967			Colorado		
		Death						
		Burial						
Places of Residence								
Occupation		Church Affiliation		Military Rec.				
Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.								
His Father Samuel Messina				Mother's Maiden Name Lucy Fichera				
		Wife's Full Maiden Name		Shirley Ann Johnson				
		Wife's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife	
		Birth	29 7 1943	Scottsbluff		Nebr.		
		Chr'nd						
		Death						
		Burial						
Compiler		Places of Residence						
Address		Occupation if other than Housewife		Church Affiliation				
City, State		Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.						
Date		Her Father Edgar C. Johnson		Mother's Maiden Name Elsie Benthack				
Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1 Samuel Alfred M. Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	9	8	1968				
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
2 Andrea Loren M. Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	24	9	1970				
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
3 Christopher Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	3	8	1978				
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
4 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
5 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
6 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
7 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
8 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ Husband's Full Name Gary Lee Steinmark Hilyard

This Information Obtained From:	Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
	Birth	4	11	1938	Scottsbluff		Nebr.	Adopt.
	Chr'd							Fed. Chr.
	Mar.	4	2	1967	Grand Island		Nebr.	
	Death							
	Burial							

Places of Residence

Occupation _____ Church Affiliation _____ Military Rec. _____

Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

His Father Roy L Hilyard Mother's Maiden Name Eva Burdell Johnson

Wife's Full Maiden Name Linda Kay Spellman

Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Birth	25	4	1945	Doniphan		Nebr.	
Chr'd				Holdrege		Nebr.	Presbt. Chr.
Death							
Burial							

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Places of Residence

Address _____

Occupation if other than Housewife _____

Church Affiliation _____

City, State _____

Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

Date _____ Her Father Charles Gordon Spellman Mother's Maiden Name Doris Jean Alexander

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1 Anne Michele S. Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	10	9	1969	Lexington	Dawson	Nebr.	
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
2 Todd David S. Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	13	8	1971	Grand Island	Hall	Nebr.	
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
3 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
4 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
5 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
6 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
7 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
8 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No.		Husband's Full Name		Laverne Blair Steinmark Hilyard			
This Information Obtained From:		Husband's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
		Birth	6 7 1942	Scottsbluff		Nebr.	Adopt.
		Chr'nd		Mitchell		Nebr.	Fed. Chr.
		Mar.	1 6 1963	Mitchell		Nebr.	
		Death					
		Burial					
Places of Residence							
Occupation Church Affiliation Military Rec.							
b. June 25, 1946----- Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. 2.) Catherine Jean Speedlin m. June 2, 1977 Make separate sheet for each mar.							
His Father Roy L Hilyard Mother's Maiden Name Eva Burdell Johnson							
Wife's Full Maiden Name Carol Marie Wurzbacher							
		Wife's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
		Birth	8 2 1942	Sabetha		Kansas	
		Chr'nd		Sabetha		Kansas	
		Death					
		Burial					
Compiler Places of Residence							
Address Occupation if other than Housewife Church Affiliation							
City, State Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.							
Date Her Father Wilber Wurzbacher Mother's Maiden Name Irene Buyers							
Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children	
1 Troy Hilyard Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	8 12 1963	Chadron	Dawes	Nebr.		
	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
2 Chad Hilyard Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	3 11 1966	Tracy	San Jaquian	Calif.		
	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
3 Philip Burton Warrick Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	19 8 1964	Scottsbluff		Nebr.		
	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
4 Scott Patrick Warrick Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	22 1 1968	Lincoln		Nebr.		
	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
5 Matthew David Warrick Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	29 12 1970	Scottsbluff		Nebr.		
	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
6 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth						
	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
7 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth						
	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
8 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth						
	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						

FAMILY GROUP No.		Husband's Full Name					Preston Clyde Hilyard			
This Information Obtained From:		Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband	
		Birth	6	12	1945	Scottsbluff		Nebr.	St. Mary's	
		Chr'd				Mitchell		Nebr.	Fed. Chr.	
		Mar.	2	6	1973	Mitchell		Nebr.	Fed. Chr.	
		Death								
		Burial								
		Places of Residence								
		Occupation				Church Affiliation		Military Rec.		
		Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.								
		His Father Roy Lawrence Hilyard Mother's Maiden Name Eva Burdell Johnson								
		Wife's Full Maiden Name					Jean Ann Reed			
		Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife	
		Birth	23	8	1950	Chadron		Nebr.		
		Chr'd								
		Death								
		Burial								
Compiler		Places of Residence								
Address		Occupation if other than Housewife				Church Affiliation				
City, State		Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.								
Date		Her Father Frank H. Reed				Mother's Maiden Name Betty J. Blundell				
Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children		
1	Birth	14	6	1981	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	W.N.G.H.		
Jennifer Marie	Mar.									
Full Name of Spouse*	Death									
	Burial									
2	Birth									
	Mar.									
Full Name of Spouse*	Death									
	Burial									
3	Birth									
	Mar.									
Full Name of Spouse*	Death									
	Burial									
4	Birth									
	Mar.									
Full Name of Spouse*	Death									
	Burial									
5	Birth									
	Mar.									
Full Name of Spouse*	Death									
	Burial									
6	Birth									
	Mar.									
Full Name of Spouse*	Death									
	Burial									
7	Birth									
	Mar.									
Full Name of Spouse*	Death									
	Burial									
8	Birth									
	Mar.									
Full Name of Spouse*	Death									
	Burial									

FAMILY GROUP No.		Husband's Full Name		Jack Henry Peppler	
This Information Obtained From:		Husband's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc. State or Country Add. Info. on Husband
		Birth	23 2 1945	Scottsbluff	Nebr.
		Chr'nd	3 1945	Mitchell	Nebr. Fed. Chr.
		Mar.	22 8 1965		
		Death			
		Burial			
Places of Residence					
Occupation		Church Affiliation		Military Rec.	
Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.					
His Father		Henry Peppler		Mother's Maiden Name Helen Andreas	
Wife's Full Maiden Name Mary Kathleen Littlejohn					
Wife's Data		Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc. State or Country Add. Info. on Wife	
		Birth	24 10 1946	Scottsbluff	Nebr.
		Chr'nd	1 6 1947	Mitchell	Nebr. Fed. Chr.
		Death			
		Burial			
Compiler		Places of Residence			
Address		Occupation if other than Housewife		Church Affiliation	
City, State		Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.			
Date		Her Father Elmer John Littlejohn		Mother's Maiden Name Eloise Ruth Johnson	
Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc. State or Country Add. Info. on Children	
1 Jason Henry P. Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	20 10 1972	Moses Lake	Grant Wash.	
	Mar.				
	Death				
	Burial				
2 Ryan John P. Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	17 7 1979	Moses Lake	Grant Wash.	
	Mar.				
	Death				
	Burial				
3 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth				
	Mar.				
	Death				
	Burial				
4 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth				
	Mar.				
	Death				
	Burial				
5 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth				
	Mar.				
	Death				
	Burial				
6 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth				
	Mar.				
	Death				
	Burial				
7 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth				
	Mar.				
	Death				
	Burial				
8 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth				
	Mar.				
	Death				
	Burial				

FAMILY GROUP No.		Husband's Full Name		David Lee Royer				
This Information Obtained From:		Husband's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband	
		Birth	24 9 1950	Logan		Iowa		
		Chr'nd	10 12 1950	Woodbine		Iowa		
		Mar.	10 6 1973	Mitchell		Nebr.		
		Death						
		Burial						
Places of Residence								
		Occupation		Church Affiliation		Military Rec.		
Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.								
		His Father Joseph William Royer		Mother's Maiden Name		Julia Ida Hunt		
		Wife's Full Maiden Name		Janet Lynn Littlejohn				
		Wife's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife	
		Birth	19 12 1949	Scottsbluff		Nebr.		
		Chr'nd	4 6 1950	Mitchell		Nebr.		
		Death						
		Burial						
Compiler		Places of Residence						
Address		Occupation if other than Housewife		Church Affiliation				
City, State		Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.						
Date		Her Father Elmer John Littlejohn		Mother's Maiden Name		Eloise Ruth Johnson		
Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
2	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
3	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
4	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
5	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
6	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
7	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
8	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No.

Husband's Full Name

This Information Obtained From:	Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
	Birth							
	Chr'nd							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
	Places of Residence							
	Occupation				Church Affiliation		Military Rec.	
	Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.							
	His Father				Mother's Maiden Name			
	Wife's Full Maiden Name <u>Carol Ann Littlejohn</u>							
	Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
	Birth	7	9	1958	Scottsbluff		Nebr.	
	Chr'nd							
	Death							
	Burial							
Compiler	Places of Residence							
Address	Occupation if other than Housewife							
City, State	Church Affiliation							
Date	Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.							
	Her Father <u>Elmer John Littlejohn</u> Mother's Maiden Name <u>Eloise Ruth Johnson</u>							

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
2	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
3	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
4	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
5	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
6	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
7	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
8	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

Keiserswerth the 20/2/86

Herewith I inform you of the following: We have sold all our furniture to our landlord and will let everything stand as it is. For some wallboard and potbank, 18 mark, stove and accessories (teakettle, tongs, and kettles) 25, china closet 18 mark, wardrobe 24, 1/2 dozen chairs and one table 6 mark, trunk 3, two bedsteads 12 mark, wash basin and bucket (wooden) 1.50, coffee mill 1.50, goat and hay 21 mark, footbench and child's chair (wooden high chair) 2.20 mark, canned goods with wooden barrel (crock) 10 mark.

Herewith I thank you for your great and friendly concern, and can send you nothing but this little present, a copper kettle, flat iron and mirror.

At the begining of next week we are coming over.

Friendly greetings,

Hermann

Just received word from Amsterdam that no change in our travel plans have taken place.

(The date on the above letter should probably be 20/2/88 or 89, Leon Gompert said it was very hard to tell for sure.)

Santa Monica, California
December 26, 1921

Dear brother Gerhard,

Again we stand at the end of the year. We may view it as a high point in our pilgrimage through life from which we may take a backward look and take note of the events and happenings of the past year and so we must become thankful that God has been merciful to us and lovingly protected and overshadowed us. So we must be trustful that in the future, in the foreseeable future, He will further protect us and lay all our cares upon Him and try to serve Him whole-heartedly and so live that through our lives we honor Him, for then we may be assured that we may pass through this span of life and receive from Him an everlasting home where death, sorrow, pain, poverty, homelessness, oppression and war are no longer known. Now, Dear Gerhard, I wish, like usual, that the New Year will be a blessed and happy one for you and your family.

The rainy period started a week ago last Saturday, and has rained almost constantly since. That, of course, is uncomfortable, but then this is natural, and the needed moisture will be good assurance for a crop. It is not cold, but to keep comfortable one must have a little fire. I learned from Mary that you also had good weather, but perhaps this has changed-- which is usually the case around Christmas time.

The enclosed letter from Wilhelm was received 23 December and was 3- $\frac{1}{2}$ months in arriving. I do not know what I should think about this. Now I wonder what your intention is regarding this affair. I think he should not be too hasty about selling out. It seems that he has a good and sure home there. I believe I would rather become Polish (that is if nothing else is dangerous) as be poverty stricken and live under oppression in occupied Germany for that has become the way of life for the plunderers and they will gnaw as long as there is something to be had. I think the worth of the money (mark) in Poland as well as in Germany will in time rise again, and whoever puts dollars in marks now will make a good profit. If you think that Wilhelm's wish should be fulfilled or can be fulfilled, than I will not stand back. Perhaps John or Jake could also do something about it. Perhaps you know from the newspapers how many marks are paid for a dollar. I think I read recently it was around 200. That would be \$100. paid for 20,000 mark. Let me know what you decide. Perhaps you have plenty on hand that 3 to 500 dollars would not matter to you. Lately I invested a few hundred in oil stock. I hope it is alright but I don't know.

A letter should be written to Wilhelm at once for he has already waited months to hear from us. He, of course, does not know that we never received his letter. I would like you to write something to him at once. If I wait till I have heard from you than it will take that much longer.

I hope to hear from you soon, or that you will pay us a visit.

With hearty greetings,

Your brother, Hermann

The following was written by Hermann Gompert to his Uncle Johann Heinrich Gompert's daughter.

Mitchell, Nebraska May 20, 1947

Mrs. Mechtilde Bender

Dear Mechtilde & daughter!

We did not receive your letter from March 30 till a few weeks ago, it was sent to me from California from the people who live in my house. Since the death of my wife on June 10, 1945, I am with my daughter Maria-- Mary Gompert Johnson-- and family. You have our family tree explained right here. My father was your father's brother, Johann. Your father was going to America also, but God decided differently. A short time ago we sent a parcel to your address. We hope it will arrive OK. The Post-office does not accept over 11 pounds. Your letter was censored and was stamped "Spellen--Dinslaken--Nordrhein". "Spellen" is where we were born, raised, schooled, confirmed, and lived our youth. In the cemetery there a little sister of ours is resting. When I was grown, I helped another man to build a stone wall around the cemetery. "Lebe wohl" (stay well & healthy) my homeland. My daughter was born here 1890 and my son Gerhard was 4 years when we left Germany and now is 62 (J.G. Gompert). His son was 3 years as soldier but was not away from America. He was discharged as Lieutenant. He is married and has a son 2½ years old. He attends the University now to become a dentist. My son's daughter is a school teacher for many years, she is not married. (Clarice Gompert)

My sons address is:

J.G. Gompert Caldwell, Idaho
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My daughter has 5 kids, her oldest son has 3 kids, Elberta none, Eva has 3, Eloise has 1, Maria's (Mary Johnson) youngest son is 20 (Clyde) and helps dad and married brother in the fields. They have lots of land, and usually have other workers.

Mitchell, Nebraska March 16, 1947

Herman Gompert born February 19, 1859

Maria Gompert born November 7, 1858-died June 10, 1945

Jacob Gompert November 27, 1863

Elisabeth his wife died April 19, 1938

Gerhard Gompert December 29, 1864

Elisabeth Gompert died February 12, 1926

Johann Gompert April 15, 1867

Johann Gompert died April 19, 1942

Anna his wife died February 23, 1943

My address is:

Herman Gompert
C/O C.E. Johnson
Box 4 Route 2
Mitchell, Nebraska

The following is a letter written by Maria Gompert to Mary Johnson in August of 1929 after the Johnson family had returned from a trip from Santa Monica to visit them .

Santa Monica
2 Aug. 1929

You will be surprised to receive a letter from me. He says I write tomorrow and when tomorrow comes he doesn't write, so I have to do it. It is just 3 months since he (Hermann?) wrote to Gerhard. He helped a man this week to build a garage, when he is done, he plans to help paper and paint our rooms. It was very hot here since you left, but it was too hot for me and it is cooler now. We washed yesterday and I'll have ironing to do, it is the worst- my arm hurts very much. How did you get through the desert, was it hot? What did the baby do when he got home, did he still know the house, he has to play by himself now. I wish I could be there to help pick and eat the cherries. They are 50 ¢ here and almost the last. You forgot baby's nightgown, it was hanging on our chair in the kitchen. I'll send it at the best opportunity. Are the flowers still alive? Ours are blooming beautifully, I wished I could send you a bunch. Jakob's haven't been here, we should write them when the berries and figs are ripe, but the birds eat them as fast as they ripen in the backyard, it's not as bad in the front. I pick some to eat every day. Figs are not ripe yet. Don't tell dad I wrote or he won't write at all. I hope you can read this letter. I will close and hope the letter will meet you all at good health.

Hearty greetings from your Mother and
Grama

Hello little Baby junior.

Greetings to grama Johnson.

It probably will take you a few days to read this.

This letter was addressed to Mrs. C. E. Johnson Rt. 2 Mitchell, Ne. Translated by Werner Prautzsch 9 March 1981. It was written on lined paper with a lead pencil, Eloise Littlejohn has the original letter.

GOMPERT FAMILY GENEALOGY

By

J. G. Gompert at Caldwell, Ida.

Beginning with those that immigrated to America from Germany in 1889 or before, Genealogy compiled by Martha Gompert Dahms. Incidents, privations, and hardships in the lives of those early pioneers as told by J. G. Gompert.

The shadows are lengthening towards the east as the sunset's dying gleam gilds the unbroken expanse of cactus-studded Western Nebraska prairies. It is mid-March so let us go, in retrospect, to the year 1889. From Memory's Halls I relate a few incidents as I remember them from the lives of those early families on the Nebraska Prairie.

Some of the most lasting impressions on our lives are made by small incidents. A few words spoken by a friend, a seemingly insignificant event, or simply the way someone reacts to something we say or do may hit us with terrific force at times. Hundreds of such experiences happen to all us, but those that still linger in my memory are outstanding to me because they came early in life.

My grandfather (with the long divided beard) uncle John and uncle Jacob (Jake) had preceeded us to America by several months, or perhaps a year, to "Spy out" the country and in spite of the bleakness of the arid plains, they were intrigued by the largness of the country and the prospect of obtaining 160 acres of the free land that they stayed and established some sort of a home. The HOMESTEAD ACT had recently been passed by Congress by which one could file on a claim of 160 acres, and by living on it (or starving) and putting improvements on it, after five years the Land Office would give a deed to it and the land was yours! Whether a garden or any other crops could be raised on it depended on rain as there was no irrigation at that time. The "home" referred to above, was merely a hole about 12 by 14 feet--dug in the ground with a slanting dirt roof on it, and the lower part usually even with the ground--a pit-house or dug-out--but not as the Indians used for a canoe. However, they wrote glowing accounts back to the folks in Germany about the great possibilities that were awaiting them in "Amerika" and being tired of serfdom--with no sign of advancement--mother and father (Hermann Gompert) and I, and uncle Gerhard Gompert and his wife-to-be sailed away from our beloved Vaterland on a Dutch liner which brought us to the shores of the "promised land" in the incredible short time of a little over eleven days sailing! How we ever got through customs and out of New York, not being able to speak a word of English, is more than I can say. But somehow we got on the train for our trek Westward Ho! Destination--Sidney, Nebraska. At Sidney we had to leave the railroad and go overland by stage-coach more than 100 miles north to the "Home On The Range". The only rickety wooden bridge across the North Platte river in that region was at a place called Camp Clark, about where Bridgeport now stands. That's where we stopped over night and that's as far as the stage went, and from there on west we had to hire a man with a team and wagon to take us "home" where we arrived with our seven possessions toward evening on that memorable month and year afore mentioned.

What a reception! Grandfather Johann came out of the "Igloo" and about the first thing old grandpa said was, quote: "Now you are here; if you only had work". If the new arrivals had expected a bed of roses and the moon on a silver platter, they were gravely disappointed to say the least. The expense of the long trip had taken nearly all the money they had left Germany with, and there was immediate concern to find a job--but where? Uncle Jake, being a baker, or baker apprentice, had gone to San Antonio, Texas, where I think he made some doughnuts, but came back before fall. He was also grandfather's pet.

Uncle Gerhard Gompert and Freulein Elizabeth Langenfurth were married shortly after our arrival in a little place called Gering, named for a German by the same name who operated a flour mill a ways north of the place by the riverside. Gering at that early time boasted a general store, a weekly newspaper--The Gering Courier, a livery barn, post office, a little log court house, a few other houses, and a resturant, (very primitive). After the knot was tied they went to get a bite to eat. There is a funny little incident in connection with this that they tell about uncle Gerhard. Not being familiar with the language, he had difficulty in making the waitress understand what they wanted to eat so he called for "Eier" but got no eggs because she did not know what he meant. But a happy thought struck him and he began to cackle like a hen and presently she brought him two boiled eggs. About the time they finished eating the waitress came back and asked, "Want some more?" But he thought she said, "Wanz (bedbug) am Ohr." (Ohr means ear) "Ach," said he, "Ich must got das auf dem Schiff." ("I must have gotten that on the ship".)

But the incidents were not all humorous. Life is like that. Soon after their marriage uncle Gerhard set to work to build their own little domicile. There were several other German families scattered about within a radius of a few miles who had all come before we did and they were "setting" on their homesteads waiting for it to rain. They were Valentine Thomas, Gottfried Kamann, a Swedish family named Nelson--I still remember the names of their two eldest children--Arthur and Lydia. They lived nearest to us and I remember mother visiting with "Miss Nelson" after she had learned a few words of English. Then there were the families Haverkamp, Brodersen, the Albertsen family, and Fred Frevert. That district became known as "Dutch Flats" and still is to this day.

To get water for domestic use was no small problem for the new comers. It was 83 feet to water and Kamann was the only one near who had a well, so we hauled our water from there in 2 barrels on a sled drawn by grandfather's two black horses. One day the team was hitched to the sled with the empty barrels on it and left unattended for a few minutes and I siezed the opportunity to climb into one of the barrels which frightened the horses and they bolted. Western Nebraska was famous for rattlesnakes, sagebrush and cactus. The horses hadn't run far till the barrels rolled off the sled with me and into a bed of cactus! Twasn't funny, McGee--mother spent an hour picking cactus out of J. G. !

South of us in the low lands along the river there were several settlements where the settlers could make hay and raise a few cattle. There were no well-drillers to be had and if one wanted a well it had to be dug by hand. This was accomplished by pulling up the dirt in a bucket at the end of a rope as the man down below filled it. The hole was 3½ feet square and cased with a board casing to prevent cave-in. This was made in about eight foot lengths and would slide down as the hole progressed. I don't know how long we lived in Grandfather's and uncle John's dug-out, but at least the first summer and probably the following winter. That summer mother and I were alone there. The money indicator pointed to "Empty" and dad left us to hunt work, and he walked and bummed his way 325 miles east to Kearney where he got a job on a farm; but before he left he had contrived to get us a milk cow which we picketed or tethered out so she wouldn't run away. Grandfather didn't exactly take a liking to me, so he drank all the milk he could so I wouldn't get to much. Years later he became invalided from arthritis and died in Kansas City, Mo. (later found to be in Omaha, Nebr.) where the "boys" had sent him to some clinic.

Well, dad worked on that farm for three months and in the meantime the farmer had gone broke, or so he said, and didn't have a cent to pay him when fall came, but he did give dad a gray mare with a crooked hind foot, (we

afterward called her MUUT) and a set of harness; so he put the harness on the old gray mare (she hain't what she used to be) and started his long trek back "Home". There still being no work near home, one fall he rode horseback to Greeley, Colorado to work in the potatoe harvest around there. Mother raised a few chickens that spring and worked hard at a garden, but it didn't rain and everything dried up and the chickens starved to death. Even the grass for the cow dried up and if mother hadn't been able to have a load of hay hauled in, the cow would have dried up too. Even though the potatoes were dried up and hardly bigger than walnuts, we dug them. Among the chickens there was a little lame rooster who went to the garden patch every day looking for a little dried up potatoe or something--but one day he came back no more! In the summers to follow we were often beset by prairie fires set by lightning. That first summer and winter without question caused us the most severe privation and hardships. As the summer had been hot and dry, the winter was conversely the opposite. Cottontails and jackrabbits were our only source of meat supply, but that winter the snows had been so continuous and deep that the rabbits couldn't find anything to eat and got skin poor. Two of the men would go out hunting. One had a muzzle-loading shotgun and the other carried a shovel. If the shot missed and the rabbit ran in a hole the one with the shovel would try to dig it out. One of the first things I can remember on the plains was the ox-team which father and uncle Gerhard had in partnership. In fact, they were bulls. Tom and Duke we called them. They and the old lumber wagon were the only means of locomotion we had for several years until we were able to acquire a team of horses. During this time also Gottfried Kamann had a pair of tall bay oxen--Bill and Bob. Yes--

Hard times, hard times upon the sandy road,
The bulls they are tired with the awful heavy load.
There's always something for to do,
Either a wagon for to grease or a bull for to shoe.

Most of those other settlers around there got discouraged and moved away, and we kept in touch with some for years afterwards. Our social life was very primitave and limited. Once in a while some of the folks would hitch up the oxen or walk and drop in on us, and vise versa. About the first thing mother would do when we had company was to reach up on the shelf and take down the little coffee grinder and hold it between her knees and grind a couple handfulls of Kaffee beans to make a pot of coffee. In those days we couldn't buy ground coffee for it came in one pound paper packages--Arbuckles and Lion Head brands. Some of the elderly housewives will remember our furniture was of the crudest sort and matched the house(?) we lived in. We had no chairs, only wooden benches and a box or two to sit on. Dad made our bedsteads and table out of rough boards. Our "Beauty Rest" mattresses were ticks filled with corn shucks or hay. There was one advantage in this however, if the "stuffing" got too old and brittle we could feed it to the cows for ensilage!

Our "Automatic Washer" came in three parts--washboard, tub, and mama. When we became a little more prosperous father brought home a brand new up-to-date washing machine from Alliance where he had sold a load of wool. It was hand operated by pulling a lever back an forth and it cost \$4.95. He had also bought two second-hand chairs--now we were beginning to live!

Uncle John had also delivered a load of wool and recently cupid's darts had pierced him mercilessly on account of one "Hamburger" by the name of Anna Schroeder who had come from Germany to visit her brothers William and Henry Schroeder in the North Platte valley north of where Scottsbluff now is. But at this particular time she happened to be staying with some friend in Hemingford which is 22 miles north of Alliance.

When their 350-lb. sacks of wool were unloaded and their business attended to, dad said: "Well, let's get started on our way back". But uncle John said: "You go ahead, I think I'll drive up to Hemingford first". When dad tried to dissuade him from making such a long trip with team and wagon, he replied: "You know how it is when you're in love".

But I'm getting ahead of my story. Dad and uncle Gerhard had filed on two adjoining homesteads two miles east of the original "Igloo" and dug a well on Gerhard's part. Our semi-dug-out was a short distance across the line. Starting with a few cows and buying one now and then, we soon accumulated a small herd of "dogies" as the years went by. When the place became too "strait" (like Abraham and Lot) for the two cattle "Barons" to remain together, dad relinquished his claim and filed on one about 4 miles north-east where range was more plentiful, and only 6 feet to water! And so we had to start a new home all over again. This was in 1896.

All this time uncle John Gompert had been living with his father and step-mother on Spotted Tail creek two miles east of our new home, and they still continued to live with them for some time after his marriage in November of 1897. Let me here throw in an incident that happened to him while working on the cattle ranch of Tom Snyder on upper Sheep Creek. One night when the cowboys were in the bunk house making whoopie, he got shot thru the foot. It was suppose to be an accident, but I think there was a gal involved.

Just prior to moving to our new location, father had sold his cattle and went into the sheep business together with uncle John. Soon after marriage they established their own home on Sheep Creek which was 15 miles north-west of our place. We used his place for summer range and ours for winter. But as the herd increased it again became expedient to split up. So they divided the sheep and both were on their own. Our first wool clip brought five cents a pound and had to be hauled 60 miles to the nearest railroad! A pound of wool for a nickle!! But prices gradually increased. Towards the last we raised 500 lambs every spring. In 1906 father sold the sheep and we went back to cattle again. Shortly before this a bill passed, whereby one could file on a whole section (640 acres) of grazing land which I promptly did as soon as I was old enough. Dad already having a quarter section could still file in three more quarters. He also had an adjoining school section leased which made us a fenced pasture of three sections.

In 1908 we got our first water from the new government ditch and settlers flocked in and started farming. That ended the open range except on the uplands to the north of us. We lived on the old homestead almost continually for 54 years. In the spring of 1940 we sold it and went to California to live, and ultimately here moved to Santa Monica, California.

There are a few things about the early days that I would like to mention before concluding this "historical sketch". I am not sure if my grandfather was married to his second wife or not when came to America. Any way, he didn't bring her along and either went back after her or had her "shipped out". I think though that she and her son Gerhard Haubruck and her daughter Elizabeth (who later became uncle Jake's wife) all three came out together as soon as they got the green light. Gottfried Kamann came by himself too and sent for his "Mina" after he had some sort of a home established.

It seems that most of the early pioneer children were born uneducated, so the task had to be undertaken afterwards and that was no small item because there were no schools at first. By the time there were enough children of school age, including myself, the neighbors got together and hired a young Lutheran preacher by the name of E.H.T. Walther. He was

German and had school at our house for a couple of winters. I can still feel myself sitting in those long, combination desks they had made. Walther ate dinner with us, but stayed at Valentine Thomas's. He had a team of ponies and a buggy and drove back and forth, bringing Henry and Godfrey Thomas with him. After a while he married a girl by the name of Emma Goldhahn. In 1898 the railroad was built up and the valley and town started along with the schools. In the fall of 1899 the Mitchell School opened with Bertha McCoy as teacher. The school house was $2\frac{1}{2}$ stories and had six rooms, but only one was used the first winter. I was $15\frac{1}{2}$ years old at that time and this was my first public school experience. She started me in HARPERS THIRD READER with the lesson "The Cricket". It had a picture of a grasshopper on the pages. I was pretty green and the first thing I did was to go to lunch at recess thinking it was noon. The lady where I worked for my board said: "Are you here for dinner already?" I said: "Yes, she let school out early". I didn't get started till December and attended only $62\frac{1}{2}$ days that term. In three more short terms, (perhaps a little longer than the first one) I finished the eight grade, and that made me "The Wise Man Of The West".

Range cattle from the big cattle outfits in Wyoming ranged the country pretty much where they could find pasture, and having no shelter or feed during the winters, many of them perished in the deep snows and blizzards. Their bleached bones were scattered over the prairie. The buffalo herds that used to roam the plains also contributed to this "bone yard". By the time we came, they were pretty well thinned out because of wanton slaughter by the whites. Eastern pseudo sportsmen would occasionally come out and shoot them down just for the sport of it, leaving the carcasses lay where they fell. Of course, the Indians only killed them for the meat and hides to cover their teepees. People gathered up these bones and sold them or traded them for groceries at the store. They were finally ground up for fertilizer. One time dad took me along to Alliance and while he tended to his business I took in the "town" and spied a big pile of bones in front of a store, so I went in and asked the storekeeper, "What you do wit dem bones?" "Oh", said he, "We grind them up and put them in your sugar".

In more recent times uncle Jake met with a terrible accident. One day in September, 1911, he was out in the field mowing alfalfa when he noticed that water was running in the hay, so he left the team with the mower in gear to stop the water. Suddenly the team got frightened and started to run. His first impulse was to stop them, so he ran and grabbed them by the bits or whatever he could get hold of. He couldn't hold them of course, and they swung him around on the sicklebar side and cut both his feet off above the shoe tops! The county fair was in progress at Mitchell and everybody was gone except his son John who had gone after the cows. John noticed the team standing in the fence corner where they had stopped and found his dad sitting by the creek with his stumps in the water. To reach the creek he had crawled several hundred feet through the weeds and thistles! But he rose above this accident and after he got accustomed to his artificial limbs he could mount a horse and ride after cattle.....Remarkable fortitude!

Now as of May 1963, those old patriarchs have each answered their last summons and sleep in the dust. Even so, some of their second generation are no longer with us.

The End 1963

A short sketch of the life of my
grandfather, Mr. Herman Gompert,
of Santa Monica, California.

by

By Elberta Mary Johnson

My mother's father, Herman Gompert, was born February 13, 1859 at Spellen, Germany, near Wesel. Spellen is a small village about three miles from the ancient great fortress, Wesel, at which place the old field-marshal, General Bluecher, defeated the army of Napoleon the First and drove them across the Rhine. The territory is called Rhine-Province. It is only about eight miles from the Holland boundry.

He received his education in the common school between six and fourteen years of age. It was during these years that he joined the Evangelical church.

When fifteen he started out to learn the Carpenter, plasterer, and bricklayer trades. At eighteen years of age he began working for the State-Railway in different occupations until he was twenty-two. At that time he and two brothers assisted their parents in managing a large farm.

He married at twenty-five and moved to Kaiserswerth, three miles below Dueseldorf, where he was engaged as engineer and janitor in the motherhouse of the great Diaconissen Institute. He worked here until February 20, 1889, when he and his wife decided to leave their parents and friends and establish a home in America with the purpose in mind of becoming more independent than the possibilities in their country had to offer.

They like all others, had dreamed and longed for America. They read great stories of it--a Land of Great Opportunities--Freedom--Happiness--A chance to do things that make History--A Chance to be Somebody!

February 29, 1889, they and their three-year-old son with the small sum of two hundred dollars, left the harbor with a load of immigrants. Miles of rolling waves--nothing could be seen but water and sky! Many became seasick. It was eleven days before the steamer brought them in sight of the Statue of Liberty!

When they landed, they were happy to have solid ground under their feet once more. But alas! Their destination was Alliance, Nebraska where they expected their brother to meet them, but as the Agent could not find Alliance on the map, they had to go to Sidney.

Miles upon miles of rolling prairies! Miles upon miles of sweeping sands! Loneliness. A vast sweep of country dotted here and there with a few green tree and other vegetation. In that vast space one could see only a single moving thing--a slowly moving speck, that, as one drew nearer, developed into a small train.

At Sidney they engaged a covered wagon and a team of horses--a covered wagon such as all our pioneer forefathers traveled across the country in. Just another blazer of new trails; another adventure; a seeker of new country and new people!

When they arrived at their brother's homestead, they made themselves comfortable in his dugout, as he was still in Alliance waiting for them. After two days of disappointment he came home, and imagine his surprise to find them there!

On the train from Omaha westward they more and more realized the America was not at all as nice as they had pictured it to be. The vast sweep of country--the great open prairie would make any person who came from a civilized country, homesick.

They settled about sixty-five miles west of Alliance, and to file on the homestead they had to ford the North Platte River to get to Sidney, which was about 120 miles away. In those days there were only a few wagon trails through the open prairies. There were no bridges across the North Platte River except at Fort Laramie and Camp Clark, which was about three miles below where Bridgeport is now.

They started out as most pioneer families, with almost nothing. A small trunk, a few articles of furniture and many high hopes.

From their homestead they had to drive to Alliance (65 miles) for groceries and little things they needed for their dugout. They built a fence around the house so that the thousands of Wyoming range cattle did not fall through their roof too often. However, once during a blinding snowstorm a half starved big three-year-old steer broke through the roof. Nebraska had passed a Herd Law to keep Wyoming cattle across the line, but the winter storms drove them down as far as Bridgeport, and after the storm was over the cowboys followed the trails and tried to round up what they found alive, but many perished in snowdrifts.

Every fall and winter they had to fight prairie fires to protect a little grass for the few cattle or horses the homesteader's had.

The first home-steaders came to establish farms, but after a few years of hard labor and disappointment, the majority abandoned their homes. A few of those pioneers who remained put their trust in cattle ranching. Those who had a little money could get an easy start, but it was different with the majority.

When the Kincaid Law was passed that every citizen could acquire 640 acres, it wasn't long before all the land was taken. Now some bought out others and in this way built up large ranches as they are today.

As my grandfather and his wife didn't have enough money to make improvements on their homestead, they planted the crops.

He inquired for work from 20 to 50 miles away, but his efforts were all in vain. He then decided to go east; so a few days later he said good-bye to his wife and little boy, Gerhard, and had his brother take him as far as Gering. He walked from there to Sidney with a pack upon his back and a canteen of water. After a day and half he arrived in Sidney--tired and Hungry--with only seventeen dollars in his pocket, fourteen of which he had to spend to make out his application on the homestead. He chose a box-car for his sleeping quarters. About midnight the train started moving and he calculated that they must go east. Before morning a brakeman spied him and told him to get off. My grandfather gave him ten cents which pleased him. He got off the train at Kearney, but in the first two weeks received only two days work. The third week after his arrival, he hired out at twenty dollars for three months. After the time was up instead of getting his due pay, as the man had gone bankrupt, another man and he were given an old grey horse between them, which my grandfather took and rode home. It took him ten days to make the trip. He arrived without a single cent!

His wife had been home all alone with her small son for three months taking care of the crops and what few chickens she had raised.

The next winter was a hard one indeed for them. The potatoes had all dried up in the ground.

The following spring my grandfather put in the crops, bought a pony for five dollars and went to Colorado. Their only girl was five months old by then and her name was Mary. He found work on a sheep ranch at twenty-five dollars a month.

When he came home in the fall conditions were a little more encouraging. His wife had worked hard and raised a fairly good crop.

The following years he found work off and on at different cattle ranches in Wyoming. As time went on he bought a few cattle at five dollars a head. When they had increased to 30 head, he sold them for \$400.00. With part of this money he bought sheep. He was soon able to buy some land near the river and as the sheep business prospered, he acquired more land in the neighborhood to enlarge his ranch. As the girl grew older, she and her brother spent many a day tending the sheep. When the Reclamation Act was passed it happened that much of his land became under irrigation. During that time the railroad from Alliance through the North Platte Valley was built and and the towns in the valley sprung up. That part of the country became the best agricultural district in the state. By saving and working hard they were able to save quite a little money, making great improvements on their ranch. In their latter life they retired and moved to Santa Monica, California where they have lived ever since. We of today don't realize just how much they labored to receive and save enough money for their old age. They were among those pioneers who stuck to this kind of life and made good.



I Eloise, was the 5th child to be born to Clyde and Mary Gompert Johnson -their first-born died in infancy. Little Hermene was born March 2, 1911 and died March 3, 1911 - "budded on earth to bloom in heaven." He is buried in the Mitchell Cemetery. My mother remarked to Elberta, her second-born child, "how empty her arms felt after losing little Hermene."

The house in which I was born (7 miles north of Mitchell and ½ miles west) was occupied by my brother, Edgar Johnson and his family until recent years- that is after our family moved when I was about 2 years old to a home they built 1 mile east of Mitchell above the Tri-State Canal. This is where I lived until I married. There were other tenant occupants interim before my brother married and moved to the farm where I was born.

Many things stand out in my memory of my early childhood. I loved the out-of-doors and so enjoyed the many family gatherings, picnics, etc. that we had - many of them at our home. Our home always seemed to be a happy place and many relatives came to see us as well as friends.

Many of my daily chores - picking up cobs, kindling; feeding chickens, gathering eggs, milking on rare occasions - this was not my favorite job - delivering milk to our customers in town; all of these took me to the out-doors and so as I recall I didn't mind them. Though I probably did my share of grumbling.

There was time for play and to have friends come to spend the night with me. I recall how thrilled I was to get a new bicycle that I could ride to school, when I was in Jr. High.

Many times on Memorial Day, we would get up early in the morning and drive up north to the pasture to gather wild flowers to decorate graves of loved ones.

Some of the harder tasks were the hoeing of corn fields (I can see those tumble weeds yet). And the time the meteor fell while we were in the field - I thought the sky was falling. A picnic lunch under the shade of the big tree on the creek by the corn field broke the drudgery of the day; and then wading a few minutes to cool off the feet. The promise fulfilled that if it rained we would go on a trip to Santa Monica to see Grandma and Grandpa Gompert.

That was a fun time. Grandpa fixed up their garage as sleeping quarters for the 7 of us - 5 of us kids - Elberta, Edgar, Eva, Clyde Jr. (only 2 years old at the time - 1929) and I, and then of course Mom and Dad. It was good sleeping as I remember - wall-to-wall beds. Grandpa would walk with us each day the 13 blocks to the ocean - that we might play in the sand on the beach, wade in the ocean or just watch the entertainment on the pier.

Other highlights were being able to go to Grandpa and Grandma Johnson's house in town (1655 14th St.) on occasion after school and then Dad would pick us up on the evening milk delivery.

I cherish the memories of my childhood and home. Within the last 10 years of my life I have come to know Jesus in a more personal way and I feel like the song "What a Wonderful Change in my Life has been Wrought - Since Jesus Came into My Heart!" How fortunate I was to have been brought up in a Christian home where Christian principles were taught and loving parents to guide me! Sundays was always a day to be in Sunday School and Church and in the evenings Christian Endeavor. I'm thankful for those habits formed. To this day I miss not having a planned church activity on Sunday evenings, so on occasion I try to visit other churches and so receive more spiritual food. I thank and praise the Lord for His Goodness.

My prayer is that Elmer and I have given our children some happy memories on which to reflect and even more that Jesus may become very real to them. I would like to add that I'm so grateful for the early teaching I received through the years from the Federated Church and Sunday School and my parents. All of the above laid the groundwork for my sincere desire and hunger for the WORD at the present time.

Edgar Johnson Remembers

Edgar Johnson was the 3rd child born to Clyde and Mary Gompert Johnson November 30, 1913, on a farm located 7 miles north and $\frac{1}{2}$ miles west of Mitchell, Nebraska. At that time horse and buggy or horse back was our only means of transportation.

My sister (Elberta) and I started to school in a one room country school located $\frac{1}{2}$ miles east of our home. Our mother also attended that same school. The school was located on land owned by my grandfather and donated it to the district by him.

In 1920 my parents with their 4 children moved to our new home 1 mile east of Mitchell. Clyde Jr. was born later, January 28, 1927. They thinking this would give their children a better chance for education. It was then father purchased a herd of dairy cattle which they drove home from over in Banner County. It was from the milk business and some truck farming and some rent from the farm that kept us in food and clothing. Mother being as ambitious as she was always managed to have her cellar full of garden vegetables and canned goods when winter rolled around.

I started farming with my father in 1933. It was very difficult for several years as that was the depression years and also had some mortgages to take care of. With Gods help we were able to survive.

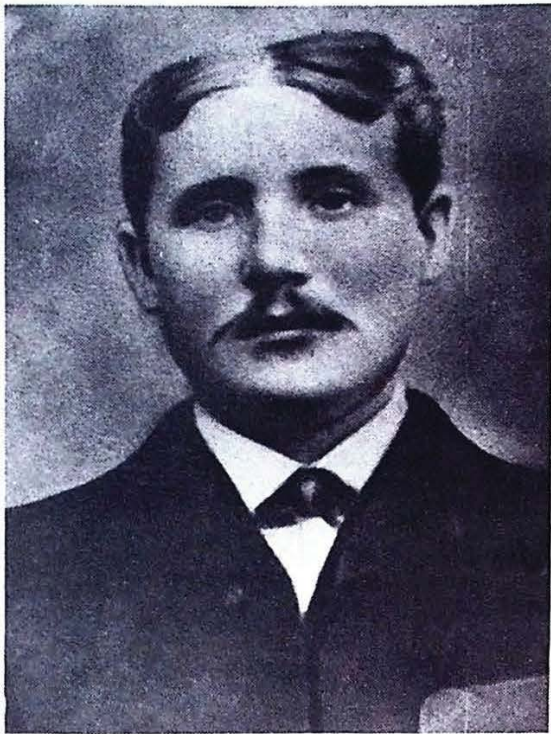
On May 22, 1937 I married Elsie Lorina Benthack. We were blessed with 3 healthy children, Clayton, Carolyn, and Shirley. We continued to live on the farm.

It was on January 28, 1970 my beloved wife passed away after suffering from a brain tumor for several years. We spent several months at Rochester, Minn., at Mayo's clinic, but since it had penetrated so deep they were unable to do a successful operation. Surely regreted that she had to give up life so young-with so much to live for. But one just must turn quickly to say "Thanks" for all that has been. I was thankful for the 35 years we did enjoy together and for the three children she provided and cared for, and seen that they were in Sunday School on Sunday morning. I was thankful the children were grown and ready to seek their own lively-hood before she departed from us. Thank-you lord for those happy memories.

It was on January 15, 1971 I married Viola Frank. She also had the misfortune of losing her loved one (Roy Miller) in March 1969. To Them 3 children were born. Gene, Norman, and Vivian. I love them all. I also had the good fortune of knowing Roy as a friend and neighbor for several years. He was a good man and I know Viola misses him very much. Since we know we can't bring them back we feel fortunate to have each other now to share our joys and sorrows.

I am thankful for my parents and for Viola's parents who tried to give us spiritual guidance.

Edgar Clyde Johnson



Jacob Gompert



Elizabeth Haubruck

Wedding Picture
1892



Jacob Gompert on his 95th birthday, November 27, 1957

3 b. Johann Gompert Family

4. Jacob Gompert, son of Johann and Maria Gompert, b. Spellen, Ger. Nov. 27, 1862, d. Feb. 22, 1958 Council Bluffs, Iowa. m. Sept. 26, 1892 Gering, Nebr. Elizabeth Haubruck b. June 23, 1871 Coblenz, Ger. d. Apr. 19, 1938 Mitchell, Nebr. Buried at Morrill, Nebr.
 1. John Gompert, b. July 21, 1893 Mitchell, Nebr. d. June 18, 1966 Inglewood, Calif. m. Nov. 19, 1921 Mitchell Nebr. Emma Casson, dau. of Thomas and Mary Casson b. Sept. 11, 1900 Randolph, Nebr. d. June 5, 1979
 1. John Clifford Gompert, b. Sept. 8, 1922 Mitchell, Nebr. d. May 27, 1924 Mitchell, Nebr.
 2. Maxine Gompert, b. Oct 13, 1924 Mitchell, Nebr d. May 11, 1973 Inglewood, Calif. m. Nov. 21, 1960 Lake Tahoe, Nev. Don Davis, son of Nellie Davis b. June 12, 1917 in Kansas.
 3. Dorothy E. Gompert, b. Jan. 21, 1928 Mitchell, Nebr. d. Mar. 9, 1935 Mitchell, Nebr.
 4. Donna Lou Gompert, b. July 19, 1929 Mitchell, Nebr. d. Dec. 19, 1969 (tumor) m. May 29, 1948 Los Angeles James Price son of Cordy Ledingham b. Oct. 16, 1926.
 1. Grant Warren Price, b. Sept 29, 1950 Los Angeles, Calif. m. Nov. 17, 1973 Debbie Harris b. June 9, 1953 2 sons
 2. Scott James Price, b. April 22, 1958 Los Angeles, Calif.
 5. Raymond Lee Gompert, b. Aug 9, 1938 Scottsbluff, Nebr. m. Jan. 4, 1959 Inglewood, Calif. Sue Chase dau of Boyd Chase b. Dec. 5, 1940. 3 children Lisa-March 25, 1964; David-June 5, 1966; Kenneth-Mar. 27, 1971
 2. Gertrude Marie Gompert, b. Dec. 4, 1894 Mitchell, Nebr. m. Dec. 24, 1927 Mitchell, Nebr. Elbert (ted) R. Cary, son of A.J. Cary b. May 31, 1899 Fanning, Kansas. d. June 3, 1964. Gert. d. Oct. 4, 1963
 1. Roy Alvin Cary, b. Mar. 12, 1930 Mitchell, Nebr. d. Apr. 7, 1968 Council Bluffs, Iowa.
 2. Twyla June Cary, b. June 21, 1933 Scottsbluff, Nebr. m. Apr. 12, 1952 Council Bluffs, Iowa Donald Dean Henderson, son of Oscar Henderson b. June 30, 1931 St. Joseph, Mo.
 1. Vicki Lynn Henderson, b. Apr. 27, 1953 Council Bluffs, Ia.
 2. Denise Ann Henderson, b. Feb. 7, 1955 Council Bluffs, Ia.
 3. Susan Kay Henderson, b. Nov. 7, 1958 Council Bluffs, Ia.

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3. Elbert Edward Cary, b. May 8, 1920 Adopted son of Gertrude and son of E.R. Cary. Leavenworth, Kansas m. Seattle, Wash. Florence Parry dau. of John Parry b. Apr. 21, 1921 Seattle, Wash.
3. Mary Sofia Gompert, b. Nov 27, 1896 Mitchell, Nebr. m. Jan 5, 1928 Mitchell, Nebr. Fitch Alanson Roe, son of E.W. Roe b. May 29, 1898 Butler, Iowa.
4. Gerhard W. Gompert, b. June 10, 1898 Mitchell, Nebr. d. Nov. 3, 1961 Scottsbluff, Nebr. m. Mar. 11, 1925 Mitchell, Nebr. Florence Rice dau. of Lorenzo Rice b. Jan 8, 1904.
 1. Wesley Gompert, b. June 19, 1926 Mitchell, Nebr. M. Jan. 29, 1948 Mitchell, Nebr. Emma Decker, dau. of Wm. H. Decker b. Nov. 19, 1929 Henry, Nebr.
 1. James A. Gompert, b. Oct. 28, 1948 Scottsbluff, Nebr.
 2. Karen A. Gompert, b. Sept. 30, 1950 Scottsbluff, Nebr.
 3. Gerald A. Gompert, b. May 12, 1952 Scottsbluff, Nebr.
 4. Ruth A. Gompert, b. July 16, 1954 Scottsbluff, Nebr.
 5. Randall A. Gompert, b. Sept. 22, 1955 Scottsbluff, Nebr.
 6. Ronald A. Gompert, b. Apr. 3, 1958 Scottsbluff, Nebr.
 7. Lesley A. Gompert, b. Jan. 2, 1960 Scottsbluff, Nebr.
 2. Barbara Jean Gompert, b. Sept. 27, 1929 Mitchell, Nebr. m. Apr. 25, 1948 Mitchell, Nebr. Fred Green son of William Green b. Apr. 1, 1923 d. Oct. 9 1970 gun shot wound. m. Aug. 7, 1972 James Durfee b. Oct. 29, 1929 Mitchell.
 1. David Green, b. Jan. 20, 1950 Scottsbluff, Nebr.
 2. Wendy Green, b. Jan 31, 1954
 3. Dianne Green, b. July 4, 1955
 4. Martin Bruce Green, b. May 28, 1957
 3. Norma Jane Gompert, b. Nov. 5, 1935 Mitchell, Nebr. m. June 21, 1953 Mitchell, Nebr. Dale Bockhahn, son of Gayland Bockhahn b. Nov. 17, 1933.
 1. Dailynn Marie Bockhahn, b. Mar. 12, 1956
 2. Bruce Wayne Bockhahn, b. Nov. 14, 1959

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4. Larry Lee Gompert, b. Jan. 20, 1941 Scottsbluff, Nebr. m. June 9, 1961 Scottsbluff, Nebr. Carol Bird, dau. of Earl Bird b. June 27, 1943 Omaha, Nebr. Divor.

1. Lawrence Leroy Gompert, b. Mar. 24, 1962 Oshkosh, Nebr.

4. Fred Herman Gompert, b. Sept. 5, 1907 Mitchell, Nebr. m. Mar. 22, 1935 Mitchell, Nebr. Mayrene Moore, dau. of William Moore and Lena Myrille Subarts b. Sept. 17, 1908 Momtevallla, Mo.

1. Fredene Elizabeth Gompert, b. June 3, 1938 Scottsbluff, Nebr. m. Aug. 21, 1959 Mitchell, Nebr. Alva Eugene Pietsch, son of Mrs. Lee Stewart and the late Albert Pietsch, b. Apr. 21, 1935 St. Francis, Kansas.

1. John Steven Pietsch, b. Sept. 19, 1962 Scottsbluff, Nebr.

2. Jennifer Pietsch,
Jeannine Pietsch, b. Oct. 1, 1965 Kimball, Nebr.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
COUNTY OF BEXAR.

DISTRICT COURT.

PERSONALLY APPEARED

Jacob Gompert
who declares upon oath that he is the natural born subject of *the Emperor of Germany*
that he was born in *Prussia*; that he is *26* years of age; that he
emigrated to the United States of America, and arrived at the port of *New York* in the State
of *New York* on or about the *14th* day of *October* A. D. 188*7*
that it is his *bona fide* intention to become a citizen of the United States, and renounce forever all allegiance and fidelity
to any foreign Prince, Potentate, State or Sovereignty whatsoever, and particularly any and all allegiance to the
Emperor of Germany, and that he will bear true
allegiance to the United States and support the Constitution of the Same.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this *27th*
day of *October* A. D. 188*8*
Geo R Dashiell
District Clerk Bexar County.

Jacob Gompert

By _____ Deputy.

STATE OF TEXAS,
COUNTY OF BEXAR.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of the original from the records of the District Court of said County.
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and the Seal of said Court, at San Antonio.

this _____ day of _____ A. D. 188

District Clerk Bexar County.

By

Deputy.

FAMILY GROUP No.		Husband's Full Name Grant Warren Price							
This Information Obtained From:		Husband's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
		Birth	9	29	1950	Los Angeles		California	
		Chr'nd							
		Mar.	17	11	1973				
		Death							
		Burial							
		Places of Residence							
		Occupation				Church Affiliation		Military Rec.	
		Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.							
		His Father James Price				Mother's Maiden Name Donna L. Gompert			
		Wife's Full Maiden Name Debbie Harris							
		Wife's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
		Birth	9	6	1953				
		Chr'nd							
		Death							
		Burial							
Compiler		Places of Residence							
Address		Occupation if other than Housewife				Church Affiliation			
City, State		Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.							
Date		Her Father				Mother's Maiden Name			
Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)		Children's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1 Christopher Charles		Birth	26	8	1976				
Full Name of Spouse*		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
2 Matthew		Birth	30	10	1977				
Full Name of Spouse*		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
3		Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
4		Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
5		Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
6		Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
7		Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
8		Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ Husband's Full Name Scott James Price

This Information Obtained From:		Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
		Birth	22	4	1958	Los Angeles		California	
		Chr'nd							
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
Places of Residence									
Occupation Church Affiliation Military Rec.									
Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.									
His Father <u>James Price</u> Mother's Maiden Name <u>Donna L. Gompert</u>									
Wife's Full Maiden Name									
		Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
		Birth							
		Chr'nd							
		Death							
		Burial							
Compiler Places of Residence									
Address Occupation if other than Housewife Church Affiliation									
City, State Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.									
Date Her Father Mother's Maiden Name									
Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children	
1	Birth								
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								
2	Birth								
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								
3	Birth								
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								
4	Birth								
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								
5	Birth								
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								
6	Birth								
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								
7	Birth								
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								
8	Birth								
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ **Husband's Full Name** _____

This Information Obtained From:		Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
		Birth							
		Chr'nd							
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
Places of Residence									
Occupation				Church Affiliation			Military Rec.		
Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.									
His Father				Mother's Maiden Name					
Wife's Full Maiden Name Melissa (Lisa) Irene Gompert									
Wife's Data		Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife	
Birth		3	26	1964			California		
Chr'nd									
Death									
Burial									
Compiler		Places of Residence							
Address		Occupation if other than Housewife				Church Affiliation			
City, State		Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.							
Date		Her Father Raymond Lee Gompert				Mother's Maiden Name Susan Ann Chase			
Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)		Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1		Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
2		Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
3		Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
4		Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
5		Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
6		Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
7		Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
8		Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No.

Husband's Full Name David John Gompert

This Information Obtained From:		Husband's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
		Birth	6 5 1966			California	
		Chr'd					
		Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
Places of Residence							
		Occupation		Church Affiliation		Military Rec.	
Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.							
		His Father	Raymond Lee Gompert	Mother's Maiden Name	Susan Ann Chase		
Wife's Full Maiden Name							
		Wife's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
		Birth					
		Chr'd					
		Death					
		Burial					
Compiler		Places of Residence					
Address		Occupation if other than Housewife			Church Affiliation		
City, State		Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.					
Date		Her Father			Mother's Maiden Name		
Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children	
1	Birth						
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
2	Birth						
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
3	Birth						
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
4	Birth						
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
5	Birth						
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
6	Birth						
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
7	Birth						
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
8	Birth						
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						

FAMILY GROUP No.

Husband's Full Name Kenneth Boyd Gompert

This Information Obtained From:

Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
Birth	3	28	1971			California	
Chr'nd							
Mar.							
Death							
Burial							

Places of Residence

Occupation

Church Affiliation

Military Rec.

Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

His Father Raymond Lee Gompert Mother's Maiden Name Susan Ann Chase

Wife's Full Maiden Name

Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Birth							
Chr'nd							
Death							
Burial							

Compiler

Places of Residence

Address

Occupation if other than Housewife

Church Affiliation

City, State

Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

Date

Her Father

Mother's Maiden Name

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
2	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
3	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
4	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
5	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
6	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
7	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
8	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ **Husband's Full Name**

This Information Obtained From:	Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
	Birth							
	Chr'nd							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

Places of Residence								
Occupation			Church Affiliation			Military Rec.		
Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.								
His Father					Mother's Maiden Name			

Wife's Full Maiden Name Vicki Lynn Henderson								
Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife	
Birth	27	4	1953	Co. Bluffs		Iowa		
Chr'nd								
Death								
Burial								

Compiler	Places of Residence							
Address	Occupation if other than Housewife				Church Affiliation			
City, State	Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar. 1) Divor.							
Date	Her Father Donald D. Henderson				Mother's Maiden Name Twyla June Cary			

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
2 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
3 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
4 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
5 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
6 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
7 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
8 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ **Husband's Full Name** _____

This Information Obtained From:	Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
	Birth							
	Chr'nd							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

Places of Residence

Occupation _____

Church Affiliation _____

Military Rec. _____

Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

His Father _____

Mother's Maiden Name _____

Wife's Full Maiden Name **Denise Anne Henderson**

Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Birth	7	2	1955	Co. Bluffs		Iowa	
Chr'nd							
Death							
Burial							

Compiler _____

Places of Residence _____

Address _____

Occupation if other than Housewife _____

Church Affiliation _____

City, State _____

Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

Date _____

Her Father **Donald D. Henderson** Mother's Maiden Name **Twyla June Cary**

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
2	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
3	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
4	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
5	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
6	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
7	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
8	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ **Husband's Full Name** _____

This Information Obtained From:	Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
	Birth							
	Chr'nd							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

Places of Residence								
Occupation			Church Affiliation			Military Rec.		
Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.								
His Father					Mother's Maiden Name			

Wife's Full Maiden Name Susan Kaye Henderson								
Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife	
Birth	7	11	1958	Co. Bluffs		Iowa		
Chr'nd								
Death								
Burial								

Compiler	Places of Residence							
Address	Occupation if other than Housewife				Church Affiliation			
City, State	Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.							
Date	Her Father Donald D. Henderson				Mother's Maiden Name Twyla June Cary			

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
2 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
3 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
4 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
5 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
6 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
7 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
8 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ **Husband's Full Name** James A. Gompert

This Information Obtained From:	Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
	Birth	28	10	1948	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
	Chr'nd							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
Places of Residence								
Occupation			Church Affiliation			Military Rec.		
Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar. Victoria Jean Keller m. July 16, 1968 Divor. 1972								
His Father Wesley A. Gompert					Mother's Maiden Name Emma A. Decker			

Wife's Full Maiden Name

Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
	Birth						
	Chr'nd						
	Death						
	Burial						

Compiler	Places of Residence
Address	Occupation if other than Housewife
City, State	Church Affiliation
Date	Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.
Her Father	Mother's Maiden Name

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1 Brenda LeAnn Gompert Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	26	12	1968	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	St. Mary's
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
2 Rebecca Kay Gompert Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	8	12	1969	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	St. Mary's
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
3 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
4 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
5 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
6 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
7 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
8 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ **Husband's Full Name** Jerry L. Chisholm (Lawrence)

This Information Obtained From:	Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
	Birth	22	6	1950	Torrington		Wyoming	
	Chr'nd			1958	Torrington		Wyoming	
	Mar.	2	4	1971	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
	Death	10	8	1980	Newcastle		Wyoming	
	Burial	13	8	1980	Mitchell		Nebraska	Mitch. Cem.

Places of Residence								
Occupation			Church Affiliation			Military Rec.		
Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.								
His Father Gerald Chisholm					Mother's Maiden Name June Agnes May Campbell			

Wife's Full Maiden Name Karen Allene Gompert

Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Birth	30	9	1959	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
Chr'nd							
Death							
Burial							

Compiler	Places of Residence		
Address	Occupation if other than Housewife		
City, State	Church Affiliation		
Date	Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.		
	Her Father Wesley A. Gompert		
	Mother's Maiden Name Emma A. Decker		

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1 Karrie Angel Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	4	7	1972	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
2 Kristine Dawn Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	14	4	1974	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
3 Jonathan Richard Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	10	7	1976	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
4 Karla Joy Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	6	1	1980	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
5 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
6 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
7 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
8 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No.

Husband's Full Name Gerald A. Gompert

This Information Obtained From:

Husband's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
Birth	12	3	1952	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
Chr'nd							
Mar.							
Death							
Burial							

Places of Residence

Occupation

Church Affiliation

Military Rec.

Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

His Father Wesley A. Gompert

Mother's Maiden Name Emma A. Decker

Wife's Full Maiden Name (Martha)

Marty Schweitzer

Wife's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Birth	18	7	1950				
Chr'nd							
Death							
Burial							

Compiler

Places of Residence

Address

Occupation if other than Housewife

Church Affiliation

City, State

Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

Date

Her Father

Mother's Maiden Name

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1 Tracy Marie Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	27	1	1976	Sterling		Colorado	
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
2 Gregory Allen Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	9	9	1980	Sterling		Colorado	
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
3 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
4 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
5 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
6 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
7 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
8 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No.

Husband's Full Name Bruce Hall

This Information Obtained From:	Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
	Birth	20	4	1953	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	St. Mary's
	Chr'nd							
	Mar.	30	12	1973	Gering		Nebraska	
	Death							
	Burial							
	Places of Residence							
	Occupation				Church Affiliation		Military Rec.	
	Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.							
	His Father Richard C. Hall				Mother's Maiden Name Caroline J. Gettman			
	Wife's Full Maiden Name Ruth A. Gompert							
	Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
	Birth	16	7	1954	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
	Chr'nd							
	Death							
	Burial							
Compiler	Places of Residence							
Address	Occupation if other than Housewife				Church Affiliation			
City, State	Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.							
Date	Her Father Wesley A. Gompert				Mother's Maiden Name Emma A. Decker			

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1 Tory Alan Hall Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	14	1	1975	Omaha	Dodge	Nebraska	
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
2 Andrea Marie Hall Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	18	6	1976	Fremont	Douglas	Nebraska	
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
3 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
4 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
5 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
6 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
7 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
8 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ Husband's Full Name **Randall A. Gompert** (Arden)

This Information Obtained From:	Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
	Birth	22	9	1955	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
	Chr'nd							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

Places of Residence	Occupation	Church Affiliation	Military Rec.
Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.			
His Father Wesley A. Gompert		Mother's Maiden Name Emma A. Decker	

Wife's Full Maiden Name							
Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
	Birth						
	Chr'nd						
	Death						
	Burial						

Compiler	Places of Residence
Address	Occupation if other than Housewife
City, State	Church Affiliation
Date	Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.
Her Father	
Mother's Maiden Name	

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
2 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
3 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
4 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
5 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
6 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
7 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
8 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ Husband's Full Name Ronald A. Gompert

This Information Obtained From:	Husband's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
	Birth	3 4 1958	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
	Chr'nd					
	Mar.	26 5 1978	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
	Death					
	Burial					

Places of Residence	Occupation	Church Affiliation	Military Rec.
Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.			
His Father	Wesley A. Gompert	Mother's Maiden Name	Emma A. Decker

	Wife's Full Maiden Name					Cindy L. Duncan	
Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Birth	29	4	1957	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
Chr'nd							
Death							
Burial							

Compiler	Places of Residence		
Address	Occupation if other than Housewife	Church Affiliation	
City, State	Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.		
Date	Her Father Alvin W. Duncan Sr.	Mother's Maiden Name	Deloris M. Popp

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1 <u>Harold Lee</u> Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	8 8 1976	Torrington	Goshen	Wyoming	
	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
2 <u>Joleen Marie</u> Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	12 10 1980	Torrington		Wyoming	
	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
3 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
4 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
5 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
6 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
7 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
8 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ Husband's Full Name **Lesley A. Gompert**

This Information Obtained From:	Husband's Date	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
	Birth	2 1 1960	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
	Chr'nd					
	Mar.	4 10 1982	Torrington		Wyoming	
	Death					
	Burial					

Places of Residence

Occupation

Church Affiliation

Military Rec.

Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

His Father **Wesley A. Gompert** Mother's Maiden Name **Emma A. Decker**

Wife's Full Maiden Name **Jul Anne Prickett**

Wife's Date	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Birth	8 7 1960	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
Chr'nd					
Death					
Burial					

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Places of Residence

Address

Occupation if other than Housewife

Church Affiliation

City, State

Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

Date

Her Father **Larry Prickett**

Mother's Maiden Name

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Date	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1	Birth					
	Mar.					
Full Name of Spouse*	Death					
	Burial					
2	Birth					
	Mar.					
Full Name of Spouse*	Death					
	Burial					
3	Birth					
	Mar.					
Full Name of Spouse*	Death					
	Burial					
4	Birth					
	Mar.					
Full Name of Spouse*	Death					
	Burial					
5	Birth					
	Mar.					
Full Name of Spouse*	Death					
	Burial					
6	Birth					
	Mar.					
Full Name of Spouse*	Death					
	Burial					
7	Birth					
	Mar.					
Full Name of Spouse*	Death					
	Burial					
8	Birth					
	Mar.					
Full Name of Spouse*	Death					
	Burial					

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ Husband's Full Name David Leon Green

This Information Obtained From:	Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
	Birth	20	1	1950	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
	Chr'nd							
	Mar.	13	9	1975				
	Death							
	Burial							

Places of Residence

Occupation

Church Affiliation

Military Rec.

Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

His Father Frederick L. Green Mother's Maiden Name Barbara J. Gompert

Wife's Full Maiden Name

Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
	Birth						
	Chr'nd						
	Death						
	Burial						

Compiler

Places of Residence

Address

Occupation if other than Housewife

Church Affiliation

City, State

Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

Date

Her Father

Mother's Maiden Name

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
2 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
3 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
4 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
5 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
6 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
7 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
8 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ **Husband's Full Name** _____

This Information Obtained From:	Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
	Birth							
	Chr'nd							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

Places of Residence								
Occupation			Church Affiliation			Military Rec.		
Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.								
His Father				Mother's Maiden Name				

Wife's Full Maiden Name Wendy Gay Green								
Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife	
Birth	31	1	1954	Scottsbluff		Nebraska		
Chr'nd								
Death								
Burial								

Compiler	Places of Residence							
Address	Occupation if other than Housewife				Church Affiliation			
City, State	Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.							
Date	Her Father Frederick L. Green				Mother's Maiden Name Barbara J. Gompert			

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
2 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
3 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
4 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
5 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
6 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
7 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
8 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ Husband's Full Name **Kenneth Charles Batt**

This Information Obtained From:	Husband's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
	Birth	14 12 1949	Caldwell		Idaho	
	Chr'nd					
	Mar.	2 10 1976	Caldwell		Idaho	
	Death					
	Burial					

Places of Residence

Occupation

Church Affiliation

Military Rec.

Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

His Father **George Laverne Batt** Mother's Maiden Name **Launie Ann Cloninger**

Wife's Full Maiden Name **Dian Elaine Green**

	Wife's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
	Birth	4 7 1955	Chadron		Nebraska	
	Chr'nd					
	Death					
	Burial					

Compiler

Places of Residence

Address

Occupation if other than Housewife

Church Affiliation

City, State

Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

Date

Her Father **Frederick L. Green** Mother's Maiden Name **Barbara Jean Gompert**

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1 Ryan Christopher Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	3 5 1979	Caldwell	Canyon	Idaho	
	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
2 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
3 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
4 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
5 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
6 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
7 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
8 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ Husband's Full Name Martin Bruce Green

This Information Obtained From:	Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
	Birth	28	5	1957	Rushville		Nebraska	
	Chr'nd							
	Mar.	10	10	1979	Greeley		Colorado	
	Death							
	Burial							

Places of Residence	Occupation	Church Affiliation	Military Rec.
Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.			
His Father	Frederick L. Green	Mother's Maiden Name	Barbara J. Gompert

	Wife's Full Maiden Name Barbara Ann Rowell							
	Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
	Birth	29	5	1944	Bristow		Oklahoma	
	Chr'nd		6	1944	Drumright		Oklahoma	
	Death							
	Burial							

Compiler	Places of Residence		
Address	Occupation if other than Housewife	Church Affiliation	
City, State	Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.		
Date	Her Father	John D. Rowell	Mother's Maiden Name Nona E. Lee

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
2	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
3	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
4	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
5	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
6	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
7	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
8	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ **Husband's Full Name**

This Information Obtained From:	Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
	Birth							
	Chr'nd							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
Places of Residence								
Occupation			Church Affiliation			Military Rec.		
Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.								
His Father					Mother's Maiden Name			
Wife's Full Maiden Name					Dailynn Marie Bockhahn			
Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife	
Birth	12	3	1956					
Chr'nd								
Death								
Burial								
Compiler								
Places of Residence								
Address					Occupation if other than Housewife			
City, State					Church Affiliation			
Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.								
Date					Her Father Dale Bockhahn			
					Mother's Maiden Name Norma J. Gompert			

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
2 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
3 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
4 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
5 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
6 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
7 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
8 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ Husband's Full Name **Bruce Wayne Bockhahn**

This Information Obtained From:	Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
	Birth	14	11	1959				
	Chr'nd							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

Places of Residence								
Occupation			Church Affiliation			Military Rec.		
Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.								
His Father Dale Bockhahn					Mother's Maiden Name Norma J. Gompert			

Wife's Full Maiden Name								
Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife	
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Date	Her Father				Mother's Maiden Name			

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	Death							
	Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ Husband's Full Name John Steven Pietsch

This Information Obtained From:	Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
	Birth	19	9	1962	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
	Chr'nd							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

Places of Residence			
Occupation	Church Affiliation	Military Rec.	
Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.			
His Father Alva E. Pietsch		Mother's Maiden Name Fredene Gompert	

Wife's Full Maiden Name							
Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
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FAMILY GROUP No. _____ **Husband's Full Name** _____

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Occupation				Church Affiliation			Military Rec.	
Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.								
His Father					Mother's Maiden Name			

Wife's Full Maiden Name Jennifer Pietsch								
Wife's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife	
Birth	1	10	1965	Kimball		Nebraska	Twins	
Chr'nd								
Death								
Burial								

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Address	Occupation if other than Housewife				Church Affiliation			
City, State	Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.							
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Places of Residence								
Occupation				Church Affiliation			Military Rec.	
Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.								
His Father					Mother's Maiden Name			

Wife's Full Maiden Name					Jeannine Pietsch			
Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife	
Birth	1	10	1965	Kimball		Nebraska	Twins	
Chr'nd								
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City, State	Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.							
Date	Her Father Alva E. Pietsch				Mother's Maiden Name Fredene Gompert			

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John Gompert in France - 1918



Elizabeth Haubruck Gompert



Fred and Mayrene Gompert circa 1980

**The Pietsch's
Alva, Fredene, John, Jennine, and
Jennifer - Christmas 1979**



Introduction

In driving down to Gering this evening in a total time of approximately thirty minutes, one has to think back to the day over 80 years ago that it took my parents from ten to twelve hours to travel the same distance by team and wagon.

It makes one realize that there has been a lot of water down the Platte River since that time.

One mistake that many of us make when we think of writing a family history is that we think we will do it "sometime"--sometime in the future, and then suddenly there is no more time. The source of the information is gone.

One tries to recall each bit of information and realizes that the job of writing must be done by them and soon or the information will be lost forever.

About a year ago my wife and I started writing down incidents of the past as I recalled them and we gave them to our daughter to be put in proper order in the future, at least then she would have the necessary information.

About a month ago we had a call from Mrs. Frances Hunt relative to giving a history of the Jacob Gompert Family.

Public speaking is not exactly my "dish" but if you people can bear with me I will try to tell you my recollections that were told me by my parents relating to those early days and I will read them to you as they have been compiled.

From the multitude of stories that were told, I've tried to pick out the ones I thought would be the most interesting to you folks.

RECOLLECTIONS OF JACOB AND ELIZABETH GOMPERT BY FRED GOMPERT

I believe this account must begin back in the little town of Wesel, Germany which isn't far from the city of Dusseldorf--and with the family of Johann and Maria Gompert. The Gompert's had six sons, William, John, Gerhardt, Henry, Herman, and Jacob. My father, Jacob came to Texas in 1887 and three other of their sons came to America in 1889. Although Jacob was first to come to this country, Gerhardt, Herman, and John precedes him to Nebraska.

In the 1880's Germany was a prosperous country, but very much under the control of the military which was headed by Bismark. In the last part of the 1880 there was a take-over of control from Bismark to the Young Crown Prince Wilhelm. There were strained relationships between the two that were felt through out Germany. There was small chance of progress for a young person outside the military and it was expected--if not demanded--that each family have some member serve in the army. My father was the one selected to serve from his family. He became a Hussar which was the light cavalry.

Here I must relate one of my father's favorite stories. Sometime during his army service there was planned an elaborate reception for the young Crown Prince Wilhelm, and father was taken from his usual position and asked to serve at the affair. This was truly a splendid occasion and had taken much preparation. Floors of the hall where it was held were

polished like glass, chandeliers sparkled. Field marshals, officers and Bismark were resplendent in full dress uniforms, and of course, there was the honored guest, The Crown Prince. Champagne was to be served freely and these young, inexperienced army men--my father among them--were assigned to serve the champagne. These soldiers would uncork the bottles, and then to prevent the overflow--would take a sip. That might have been one thing that led to a near disaster--or it might have been the polished floor or nervousness. Anyway, when my father approached the Crown Prince with a tray of glasses and champagne, he slipped--the glasses shattered and champagne flowed--on the floor! Bismark was horrified. He could be held responsible. The result of such an offense normally could result in a court martial for the offender and a severe reprimand to his superior officer. One can imagine my father's apprehension. Then the young Kaiser spoke on his behalf--saying such a thing could have happened to any young man, a mere incident. This courtesy may have been why in later years it was difficult for my father to think of the Kaiser as the horrible murderer as portrayed in newspapers and movie houses during World War I.

To preceed-- After my father had served his required three years in the army and had returned to a broken home, as his mother had passed away during his time in the army, he began to be restless and wonder what to turn to for a future life. Then one day, while in this restless frame of mind, he was in a library and saw colonization posters--"Free land in America"--"Unlimited Opportunities"! It opened a magic door and hurried preparations were made to journey to that new land. (Show posters and copies are on display in museums in Germany).

Father sailed from Rotterdam, Holland, in 1887. He came by the Statue of Liberty--a very welcome sight--then down the coast around Florida, through the gulf and landed at Galveston, Texas.

His first big surprise in the new land was that he saw a black man on the docks. He had heard and read of them, but had never before seen a black person. An Indian might have been anticipated, but not a black man.

He had landed with about one dollar in his pocket in an alien land where even the language was strange. He knew it was necessary to find employment at once. As he walked the streets of Galveston, he looked for a friendly German face--and his search was rewarded. The first man he spoke to understood him. This man had a dairy--he didn't need extra help, but offered a temporary job to a fellow countryman. The wages were about \$15 a month and board and room. Part of the work connected with this job was to haul the pulp from a nearby brewery to the dairy to be used as feed--much as beet pulp is used here in the Valley. This contract with the brewery gave father the chance to change jobs and to work at the brewery with an increase in salary.

After having worked at the brewery for about two years, he was able to save enough to continue the journey to Nebraska which had been the ultimate goal since leaving Germany. He used most of his money for a ticket to Sidney--that was as far north into Nebraska as the trains came at that time. To proceed from Sidney he caught a wagon train that went over Camp Clark bridge and on to the north side of the river to Fort Laramie. There were reports that work could be found at a Pratt and Ferris Ranch just across the line from Nebraska into Wyoming--which is now owned by Middlesworths.

When father arrived at this ranch he went to the foreman to apply for a job. The rough old Irish foreman asked him if he could work as a cowboy--and in his broken German, or broken English, dad said he wasn't a cowboy but could ride a horse--real good. The Foreman gave him a job as

a horseback mail carrier for the ranch. The mail route extended 35 miles from the P.F. headquarters to Old Fort Laramie where the mail was brought in from Cheyenne via the Cheyenne-Deadwood stage. It would take a day to ride to the fort, an overnight stay and then another day to bring the mail back to the ranch. Two trips a week were required.

While dad was on this job an incident occurred which he related many times: It seems that the foreman of the ranch and one of the cowboys liked the same young women. The foreman, being in authority, thought to do away with his competition so he fired his rival cowboy. This happened while my father was on a trip to Fort Laramie. When dad got back, the cowboy was gone and also dad's two good wool blankets which he had gotten from the German army. These blankets were greatly valued as they were of good quality and especially needed in winter for use in the cold, unheated bunk houses of that time.

Now it happened that the man who was fired, later lived in the same area as father and frequently they met in town. Years passed, sixty years to be exact, and one night dad stopped at the pool hall in Mitchell for a glass of beer as he often did on a Saturday night. This before-mentioned cowboy, now an old man, was in the pool hall and had a few drinks. He came up to father and said, "Jake, there is something I've wanted to tell you." Dad replied, "Yes, I think I know what it is." The man said, "Jake, remember when your blankets were taken from the P.F. Ranch? Well, I took them." Dad said, "Yes, I've known that all these years." Both men were in their 80's at this time and the incident had bothered the man for all those inbetween years. He seemed relieved to have finally confessed his guilt.

It was on one of those trips to Fort Laramie that my father met my mother. She had come to western Nebraska with her mother and one brother, Gerhard Haubruck, in May of 1890. She was born near Coblenz, Germany, on June 23, 1871. She so often told of her years as a young woman along the lush and beautiful valley of the Rhine River with its abundance of fruits and vegetables and the severe contrast to all those things up their arrival to this frontier country, with its lack of all those things and especially the absence of even trees.

My mother in later years became quite active in various activities in the Mitchell and Dutch Flats areas. She was a member of the Federated Church in Mitchell, charter member of the Dutch Flats Birthday Club, the Rebekah Lodge and often took part in various community affairs.

My mother, after a busy and healthful life, died rather suddenly in 1938 at the age of 66. We always felt that it was ironic and disappointing that after the hardships of pioneer life she couldn't have had a few more years of an easier and more relaxed life made possible by the many modern conveniences of today.

My parents obtained the 71st marriage license to be issued at the courthouse in the inland town of Gering. They were married at the Sunflower Post office by Ed Scriven, postmaster and justice of the peace. Incidentally, Ed Scriven was the father of Clarence and Percy who were known to many of you. Ed got a big kick out of performing the marriage ceremony and later laughed about it many times. My mother had not learned the English language very well and would answer "Ya" to everything he asked, regardless of the question. Later, when she had learned more English I think she may have wondered if the ceremony was entirely legal when all that was necessary was to have said, "Ya, Ya."

By the time my folks were married and went to their new home north of Mitchell, there were neighbors, families who had preceded them to the area. There were the brothers, Gerhardt, John, and Hermann and their families, as well as Valentine Thomas, the Chalupas, Kamenns, Freverts,

Nelsons, Balteses, Fannings, Pollards, Schroeders, Martin and George Fritz, the Reimans who moved to Box Butte County, and the Haubrucks, who were my mother's brother and his wife.

This land that they had wanted so much, this almost free land, was theirs, a land so barren, no trees, so short of water, no fruit, no game to be hunted for food. The sun shone hot and parching in the summer, the winds blew in the spring, and frequent blizzards raged in the winter. There were rattlesnakes, a constant fear for parents when doctors were unattainable.

These early settlers had their land, now the next thing was to live on it. There had to be housing and there was no timber so they used what was available, the earth itself. Sod houses and dugouts were constructed, and my folks built their dugout on Dry Spotted Tail Creek, about three miles north of where there is the town of Mitchell.

The following is a direct quote from a letter written by a cousin of mine who had visited in our dugout years ago. The quote, "It was a two room house, half was dug on a small rising. The back room had no windows, the front room had a door and two windows and a rough board floor, and a cook stove. They used mostly cow chips for fuel. We had many a good meal cooked there. The dugout had a tin roof and we enjoyed sliding down the roof. There was a little creek in front of the house and there was a windmill and a watering trough. I can see it now". 1973 by Oletta Haubruck Armstrong.

The wood used for the floor was hauled from Fort Laramie, as they were abandoning the Fort about that time. Once in the spring when father had gone to the fort for floor wood, there was a sudden terrific blizzard. The snow was so deep it covered the dugout, and mother said she had to push my older brother, John, out of the top of the door so he could shovel a place for the door to open, and they could get out to check the cattle. Father, of course was delayed by the storm and returned three days later.

There was such death loss among the cattle caused by that storm that the men spent much time that spring in skinning them and later took the hides and bones to Alliance where there was a market. This brought in a little extra money for needed supplies.

Because there was so little that could be done for a rattlesnake bite, the mothers were in constant fear a child would be bitten. Mother told about one time when she had left John, an infant then, outside for awhile. She heard him chuckling gleefully, and when she went to see what pleased him so much, she saw a rattlesnake, coiled and ready to strike. The child was sticking his finger toward the snake and laughing at its movements. She snatched the child away just as the snake struck.

From Germany mother had brought an invaluable little hardwood chest of bottled pills, homopathic, a little went a long ways as they were of such concentrated strength. The use of each pill was identified and there was a pill for almost any anticipated ailment. The contents of the box were shared with many neighbors.

People ask how pioneers survived, especially the women. Most were young and healthy. The air and water were pure and for heat there were cow chips. There was meat if they owned cattle and many kept a few chickens. Meats and vegetables were salted down for winter use. One of the most essential and available foods my mother fed her young, there were four, John, Gertrude, Mary, and Gerhardt, was a butter-milk soup made with raisins. The raisins would have been gotten from some infrequent trip to Alliance, the nearest town which was 65 miles away. These children grew up healthy with few physical problems. Most were born without the help of a doctor. The women were midwives to each other and must have had sufficient knowledge for the job as the families flourished and grew strong.

The early 1890's were just a few years removed from 1888 and the battle of Wounded Knee. Consequently, there was still unrest among the Indians and uneasiness for the settlers. I guess it was not unusual for stories to be brought that there was an Indian uprising. Then the children would be hurried into a wagon and at least our family would go south to Tom Fanning's who had a sturdy house made of a mixture of sand and grout. This house served as a sort of fortress for the area. Much of it remained until a few years ago when it was torn down by the present owner. Tom Fanning was one of my fathers best friends and incidentally Tom was the first sheriff of Scotts Bluff County. His grandson, Clarence, is now postmaster in Mitchell. Fortunately, none of the rumors about Indian uprisings turned out to be a reality.

I've tried to recall some of the things my folks told, I think each women must have had a trunk in which she kept choice items. These were things she had brought from Europe or something purchased here but kept special, a prized linen table cloth, a pair of sheets kept for company, a large platter, family pictures, all treasured articles and ties with an easier, more refined life.

These special linens for the table and special dishes may have been brought out for use when itinerant preachers came. Whenever one rode through the country, the word spread and neighbors gathered at someone's home. There would be prayer meetings and baptisms and lots of activity. When the ministers came, it was true that many a chicken was sacrificed to a good cause.

Some of the most important things in my mothers trunk were Christmas decorations brought from Germany. Today with the multitude of such decorations available, the few she had would not seem to be very much, but not long ago Anna Birdsall said they had never forgotten the Christmas decorations "Auntie Jake" had. These were the only ones in the neighborhood and they were passed from place to place, and used for many years at school and church affairs.

It might be of interest to know of the origin of the name "Dutch Flats." The pathfinder Irrigation Ditch was being dug from east of Guernsey. When the workers got to the area north of Mitchell, they met many Germans, and mistook them for Dutch. They called them "Dutchmen" and so evolved the name Dutch Flats.

This tremendous ditch extending from Guernsey to Lake Minatare was dug with fresnos and teams of horses. Again one can think of the comparison to the powerful and efficient machinery used for such projects today.

One time my folks sold three year old steer to Zed Goodwin, an old timer cattle buyer. He was putting together a trail herd and was driving them to Alliance to be loaded for the Omaha market. He paid my father \$100 for the three head of 1200 pound steers. When the money was brought home to my mother, she told my father that they were now short that many head of cattle and they would have to be replaced, and anyway they had no need of that much money (\$100). As a result of my father saddled his horse and rode twelve miles to the William Pollard place on Sheep Creek, north west of Morrill, to buy three head of bred heifers for \$20 each and he trailed them home that same day. Mother's thinking was that they had replaced the cattle and the \$40 that was left would be plenty for winter supplies.

Mother also told that when ever the settlers heard that the big cattle drives were going through the country, they would try to keep their own cattle closed in. Any stray cattle would be taken by the big herds and never heard of again. This, of course, would be a great loss to the settler.

My father told of a five-day trip by team and wagon to Alliance that he took to be a land witness for a man named Twarzik. Twarzik was a Bohemian and couldn't speak a word of either English or German. Father spoke no Bohemian so these two men, father and Twarzik spent the five days not speaking or communicating. It didn't seem to bother Twarzik as he was a quiet fellow, but it was frustrating to my father who liked to visit. On the return from Alliance they spent a night at relatives of Twarzik's, all Bohemian, and again no one spoke either German or English so they ignored my father, which added more frustration. The strange thing was that there was never a thank you for making the trip, even gestures, smile, or sign language. The homestead that was filed on, on this trip is where the Mitchell Sugar factory is now located.

To these early settlers it must have been frustrating to have looked across the Platte River to the south and not have been able to cross. They heard that there were new families over there, the Ewings, Morrisons, Beebes, Russells, etc. After the railroad came in 1900 a group of the settlers built the first bridge across the Platte, near where there is now the town of Mitchell. It was a tremendous achievement, accomplished with the inadequate equipment and material of that day. One can imagine the jubilation and excitement when it was completed.

After 1900, civilization started moving rapidly with the Burlington railroad which ran from Alliance to Casper, a life line to the Valley. Small towns sprang up along the route. There was now lumber for homes and the aforementioned bridge was built. There were doctors, churches, hotels, and all the refinements available.

In 1906 my parents bought lumber from the Carr & Neff in Mitchell and built the first wood house on Dutch Flats. It was quite a day when they moved from the dugout to the big four-room frame house. Friends came from miles away to see it.

A great misfortune occurred in 1912. My father was breaking a colt to a mower which was hooked up with an older horse and had worked them all forenoon. Afternoon, about 2 o'clock, he thought the colt was quite well broken to work and he was cutting the back swath on the field when he discovered water running out of a ditch into the hay that he had already mowed. He stopped the team and stepped in front of the sickle bar which was raised about six inches. He kicked in the dirt a bit to prevent the water from running into the hay. When the colt looked back over its blind, it bolted and took off with the mower in gear. The mower caught my father's legs half way between the knees and ankles and drug him about fifty feet before he was finally released. He saw his legs lying behind him in the field. No one was near as the family was at the County Fair in Mitchell. Father started crawling down the hill. He crawled all afternoon, until 5 in the evening. He'd blackout, then revive and crawl some more. He'd gotten to the shallow creek and was afraid to try to cross as he knew he might black out again. This was where my brother, John discovered him. He told John, who was 16, to leave him there and ride two miles south to a neighbor, Orley Lewis. Orley was to bring his wagon and get the family and a doctor.

Drs. Stewart and Stoops came at about 9 and started the repair job. It took over two hours to clean the stumps which were full of splintered bone and dirt. It must have been the dirt which prevented him from bleeding to death as the arteries may have been partially clogged. The doctors couldn't give anesthetic due to loss of so much blood. Dr. Stewart apologized for not being able to relieve the pain, but dad said he'd been through a lot that day so they might as well get on with the work. I can recall that he passed out several times, all color would leave his face

and then slowly some color would return. Finally, it was completed at 11 P.M.

He spent three months in a wheel chair. Then rode the train to Omaha where he bought artificial legs from the Twin City Artificial Limb Company, and he came walking in the house after he returned home. He wore those and two successive sets the rest of his life.

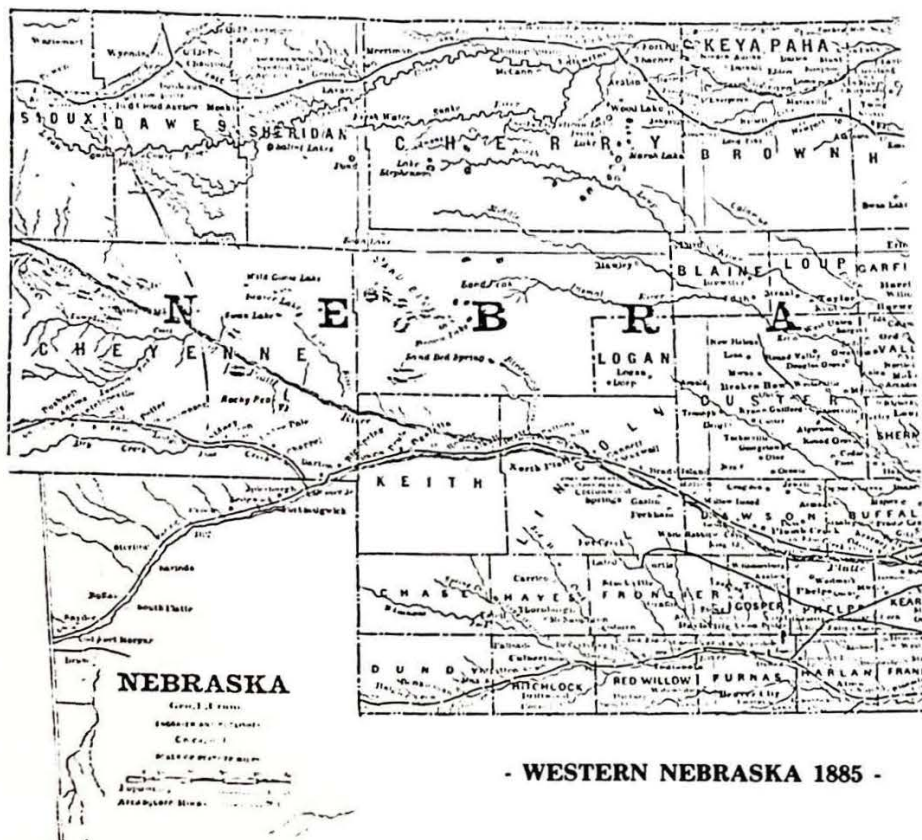
A highlight of my father's later years was when he rode his faithful horse, "Trixie", a little grey pony, in the Oregon Trail Days parade in 1949. He was 86 years old at that time and was awarded the prize for being the oldest rider. His 90th birthday was celebrated at our house in 1953. He spent the last five years in Council Bluffs with Mary and Fitch Roe, his daughter and son-in-law.

The following is from the editorial written by the late Harry Wisner for the Star-Herald at my fathers death. Harry and dad had been very close friends since 1900 when Harry lived in Mitchell:

"During the past few days, this valley has lost a couple of old timers whose passing should not occure without acknowledgment of our collective debt to them for their outstanding role in the development of the area. We refer, of course , to the deaths of August Heltdt and Jacob Gompert. Gompert, of German origin, was among the first to settle in what was then frontier country. As a homesteader, farmer, and feeder, as a man whose unbreakable spirit persisted in the face of severe physical disability, he influenced and participated in the transition of this area from semi-arid waste into one of the nations great agriculture domains.

Widely known and as widely respected, his death at 95 erased another human link with the true pioneer past of the North Platte Valley, now diminished in number near the vanishing point."

circa 1972



The following was found in a book entitled "HISTORY OF WESTERN NEBRASKA AND ITS PEOPLE" written by Grant L. Shumway, Scottsbluff, Nebraska. It was published by The Western Publishing & Engraving Company, Lincoln, Nebraska, 1921. The following was found in volume 2 of the issued 3 volumes. Page 227.

JACOB GOMPERT has the sterling character and the industrious and persevering habits that tend to conserve personal advancement, so that it is not strange that in Scotts Bluff county he has become a substantial representative of farm industry, his home being in section 9, township 23-56, about four miles distant from Mitchell, which is his postoffice address. The well improved ranch which he has here developed is given over largely to the raising of cattle and other livestock, though he is equally successful in the agricultural department of his farm enterprise.

Mr. Gompert was born and reared in Rhine province, Germany. the date of his nativity having been November 27, 1867, and his early education having been gained in the excellent schools of his native land. He is a son of Johann and Marie (Hulser) Gompert, who became the parents of six sons and one daughter, four of the sons having eventually become residents of the United States, where each has stood exponent of loyal and appreciative citizenship: Herman is a resident of Sioux county, Nebraska; Jacob of this sketch, is the next younger; Gerhard likewise a substantial farmer of Scotts Bluff county, is individually mentioned on other pages of this work; and John is a resident of Waterloo, Iowa. The father who was a farmer in Germany, came to the United States in 1899, and the following year marked his arrival in Scotts Bluff county, Nebraska, where his death occurred in April, 1906, his wife having passed away a number of years previously.

Jacob Gompert gained in his fatherland a valuable preliminary experience in connection with farm enterprise, and in November 1887 shortly before his twenty-fifth birthday anniversary, he made his appearance in the state of Texas, where he remained until 1889, in which year he came to Nebraska. In 1899 he took up a homestead in Scotts Bluff county, and he forthwith began improving the place, to which he has since added, by purchase, until he now has a valuable landed estate of three hundred and twenty acres, of which one hundred acres are under effective irrigation. With characteristic energy and good judgment Mr. Gompert has pressed steadily forward toward the goal of success and independence, and he now merits classification among the substantial agriculturists and stock-raisers of Scotts Bluff county. Here the consensus of popular opinion is that his success has been worthily won and well merited. He is aligned as a supporter of the principles of the Republican party and he and his wife hold membership in the Federated church.

In 1892 Mr. Gompert wedded Miss Elizabeth Holbrook. who was born and reared in Germany and who came to America in company with the father of her future husband. Mr. and Mrs. Gompert have five children--John, Gerhard, Gertrude, Mary, and Fred. None of the children have yet gone forth from the parental home circle with the exception of the eldest son, whose loyalty was shown by effective service in connection with the nation's participation in the late World War; he was assigned to service with a hospital corps and was sent to France, where he remained for some time after the signing of the historic armistice, his return to America having occurred in August, 1919.

"WE LIVED AT FORT LARAMIE"; INTERVIEWS WITH OLD-TIMERS.

By
David L. Hieb, C.M.

Presented to the Denver Posse of Westerners on August 23, 1978

While serving as Superintendent of the then Fort Laramie National Monument from May 1947 to June 1958 both my office and our living quarters were in the only partially rehabilitated Cavalry Barracks built in 1875. From that vantage point we not only learned to appreciate the conditions which the military and other earlier occupants of the Fort had endured, but also found a unique opportunity to interview on the ground former military period residents of the Fort and its environs. These we called Old-Timers.

Since the major roles of Fort Laramie in the pagent of the west from 1834 to 1890 are well documented and have been the subjects of thousands of pages by historians from Parkman to Hebard to Hafen and Mattes, the products of Old-Timer interviews are largely side lights on history. They are side lights, however, which deepen our prospective and wet our appetites to more fully appreciate that history. In this case they also provided information essential to accurate restoration of military buildings at the Fort.

Aside from some Old Timers who were still local residents and will be mentioned later the most productive of our interviews was among the first. We will never forget the portly, but still active gentleman who arrived at the Fort in a red Buick convertible on July 24, 1948 and introduced himself as Col. Louis Brechemin, Jr., U.S. Army retired. Colonel Brechemin had arrived at Fort Laramie as a boy of 8 to 12, from 1885 to 1889 while his father, then Capt. Louis Brechemin, 7th infantry, was Assistant Surgeon, the ranking Post and Regimental medical officer of that period. Moreover, the Colonel was blessed with an almost photographic memory of the scenes and events of his happy boyhood years at the Fort. Having duplicated his fathers career as an Army Medical Officer he had had life long contact with the families of the then tiny officer corp which no doubt added to his retention of facts and stories about Fort Laramie.

Colonel Brechemin had come back to the scenes of his boyhood and he was in no hurry. Nearly every day for ten days he returned to the Fort and we had time to go over every building and ruin on the grounds together, discussing details... (the story continues but as we skip to pages 8-9-and 10 we find Mr. Hieb had talked to Jacob Gompert and his story continues...)

(Page 8) Oddly, it may seem to you, it was Mead, the youngest of the Sandercocks who was to provide the most helpful information about the Fort. Born in 1886, only a few months before his fathers death, he had grown up in Officer's Quarters "A" and then moved to his ranch two miles south. Thus he had seen all the changes in the Fort following its abandonment. He became a close friend and frequent companion on fishing and hunting trips, and to comunity activities of varying kinds. He was blessed with an excellent memory and was always willing to stop in and help us determine the originality of a feature of any building we were restoring or planning to restore. A unique and amusing example relates to Officer's Quarters "A" which we restored in 1956 to 1958. The original long, straight, double stairway had been torn out and replaced with one winding stairway, for his mother, about 1916. But, from physical remains we had been able to duplicate the originals excepting one detail--newel posts. Mead stopped by and I posed the question to him.

His response was quick and positive. "That side (west) had a plain ball-top post, but this side (east) had no post at all--just a nice smooth end on the rail. I remember that because we boys always slid down the rail on this side but couldn't on the other." To prove his point he proceeded to demonstrate stair rail sliding at age 70. Just to be sure, I checked Mead's story with two of his sisters who confirmed it with the comment that their brothers "never walked down stairs in that house".

Occasionally, the chance to interview an Old Timer took me away from the Fort and on December 8, 1949 I drove some 45 miles to "Dutch Flats" near Mitchell, Nebraska. There I located and talked at length with one Jacob Gompert, 87 years young, and one of the original "Dutchmen" for whom the flats were named.

Jacob Gompert came to America in 1887 after having served for three years in a Westphalian Hussar Regiment of the Imperial German Army. After a few months in San Antonio, Texas he came to Sidney, Nebraska, then the railhead, and in the spring of 1888 homesteaded in "Dutch Flats" and found intermittent employment as a cowboy on the PF (Pratt & Ferris) Ranch which included most of the valley land north of the North Platte River from the site of Henry, Nebraska to what is now Torrington, Wyoming with an upper ranch or feed farm where Lingle, Wyoming now stands.

In the spring of 1890, Jacob Gompert and his brother, Gerhardt, who had followed him over from Germany, attended the sale of buildings at Fort Laramie. (Page 9) They purchased one building for \$75. There followed many trips to the Fort to remove the lumber from this building and haul it, one wagon load at a time, over the 40 miles of sandy road to "Dutch Flats". There it was used to improve their dug-out homes and for fuel. Mr. Gompert emphasized the great importance of fuel to the homesteaders of the North Platte valley and the difficulty which they had in getting it prior to the coming of the railroad about 1900. Cow chips and wood hauled from the hills northwest of Lingle were their sole supplies for many years.

On one of the first trips with lumber from the Fort, a wardrobe from the house they were dismantling was placed on top of the load. In crossing Rawhide Creek where the banks were very steep the wardrobe fell into the creek. Mr. Gompert being alone had to walk about a mile to the homestead shack of Tom Powers to get his aid in reloading it. I hauled that wardrobe back to Fort Laramie in my pickup; a donation to the Fort from the Gompert family. The Tom Powers just mentioned was an oft quoted Old Timer who had died before my years at Fort Laramie. It developed that Mr. Gompert had worked with him on the PF and he told of having drawn the short straw during a card game with Powers and one Al Kelly and having to ride from the upper ranch to Fort Laramie in the middle of the night after two bottles of whiskey.

During his many trips to the Fort in 1890 and 1891, Jacob Gompert became well acquainted with some other Germans. Joe Wilde, the ex-bull whacker, road ranch operator and peerless rough and tumble fighter had acquired the old Cavalry Barracks and converted it into a combination hotel, tavern and dance hall. There the Gompert brothers often stayed and ate during their lumber salvaging trips and there they met Miss Elizabeth Haubruk, a German girl who lived with the Wildes as a member of their family. In 1892 she became Mrs. Jacob Gompert.

The Gompert brothers hauled one load of heavy planks from Fort Laramie to the river bank north of Gering, Nebraska. There they were used on a bridge over the North Platte built cooperatively to give the settlers north of the river access to Gering. Before that, difficulty in crossing the river had forced the homesteaders to trade at Alliance, Nebraska, a five day round trip according to Mr. Gompert. He recalled that one outfit had tried to raft timbers from the Fort down the river to Gering, but had so much trouble that no one else tried it.

(Page 10) Mr. Gompert repeatedly mentioned that by fencing the bottom lands north of the river from near Lingle to the Nebraska line the PF Ranch had closed the old Morman Trail and forced the road up onto the sandhills adding greatly to the difficulty of hauling their lumber from the Fort to "Dutch Flats".

On August 19, 1950 Mr Gompert and several members of his family came to Fort Laramie and toured the grounds with us. Mr. Gompert seemed confused by all the changes that had taken place since his early visits, but was able to identify the building he had bought and dismantled as the ruin of Officers Quarters "B", the former Commanding Officer's Quarters and one time home of such notables as Brevet Major Generals Wesley Merritt and John Gibbon. Mr. Gompert indicated that all fixtures, good doors and window sash had been removed from the building before the auction at which he bought it for \$75.

The long porches of the Cavalry Barracks caused him to recall walking over or around numerous drunken or sleeping cowboys in walking to Joe Wilde's hotel dining room at the north end of the building. He thought that Joe Wilde had a "gold mine" in his tavern operations in the 1890's in spite of having to act as his own bouncer.

Sometimes Old Timers arrived at the Fort in batches and a notable example was the visit to the Fort in September 1950 of George O. Reid of High River, Alberta and Jacob J. Tomamichel of Medora, North Dakota.

George Reid was known to us through his long letter of December 20, 1945 to Merrill Mattes which was published in Annals of Wyoming in July 1946. We will not repeat Reid's many interesting comments on Fort Laramie in that letter but his credentials as an Old Timer are impressive. He was born in 1872 at Fort McPherson, Nebraska where his father was corral boss. He lived at Fort Laramie from 1875 to 1880, where his father was similarly employed until fired for knifing a gambler, (self defense according to George) and then on nearby ranches, notably that at Register Cliff, until 1892. The Reids then moved north to the Little Missouri River country near Medora, North Dakota. There George was to serve as Sheriff of Billings County for four years before moving to Canada. In Canada he served 23 years in the Royal North West Police (sic) and four years as Chief Guard at a Royal Canadian Air Force Base.

Jake Tomamichel we recognized as the son of Hospital Steward John Tomamichel who had served at Fort Laramie from 1878 to 1889. Born in 1873, Jake had lived with his parents at the Fort only part of that time, leaving home to live with the Reids at Register Cliff and become a cowboy....



Jacob Gompert
Circa 1880's

The following was written by Fitch A. Roe April 11, 1976 at Council Bluffs, Iowa.

Unfortunately no Children, Mary was born in a dug-out heated by cow chips in a blizzard and she never did get warm. Her most vivid memory-- the Christmas tree ornaments brought from Germany and seeing Johnny Maynard in the only car in town pass her while she was walking home from school. He was taking 2 doctors to care of her father who had just had his legs cut off in a mower.

I was born on Sunday evening, my doctor was called from a church service where he was supposed to sing in a quartet. My most vivid memory was-- Mary was sick with typhoid when I gave her a diamond. She lost her voice for several hours.

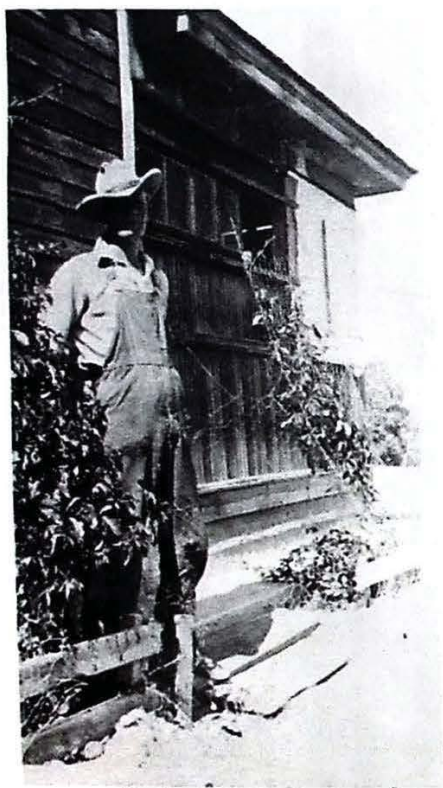
Mary's childhood was on a homestead in Western Nebraska. She started school in Mitchell, then at Toohey, then to Plainview, and finished eighth grade, no High School. Her brothers and sisters were John, Gertrude, Mary, Gerhardt, and Fred.



Mary Gompert



**Elizabeth Haubruck's mother,
later married Johann Gompert**



Gerhard W. Gompert



Gertie M. Gompert



Gerhardt Gompert



**Elizabeth Langenfurth Gompert
taken in Germany - 1880's**



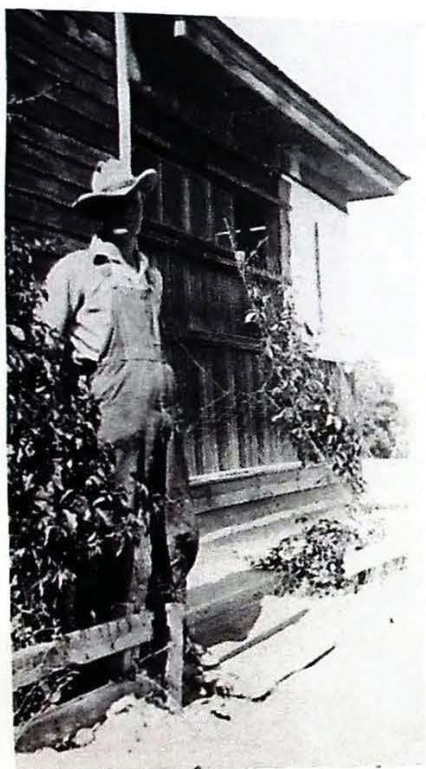
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Herman, Jake, Bill, John, and Henry - 1898**

**L. to R. Jakes, John Gompert and Herman in the
short knee pants at a soddy near Morrill, Nebr.**





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5. Gerhardt Gompert, son of Johann and Maria Hulser Gompert, born Spellen, Germany Dec. 29, 1865, died Oct. 1, 1948 at Mitchell, Nebr.; married Elizabeth Langenfurth at Gering, Nebr. Apr. 16, 1889. Elizabeth was born Oct. 16, 1864, died Feb. 12, 1926. Both are buried at Morrill, Nebr. in the Forest Lawn Cemetery.

1. Infant, b. May 8, 1889 d. May 8, 1889 (Girl)
2. William Melville Gompert, b. Aug. 12, 1890 d. Dec. 17, 1968 Mitchell, Nebr. m. Opal Brau and Kenneth Gompert was born Jan. 28, 1928. Later m. Dec. 24, 1935 Gladys Scott dau. of Chas. and Mary Grace Scott at Cheyenne, Wyo.. Gladys b. June 21, 1895 Shannon City, Iowa d. July 20, 1976. Buried Mitchell, Nebr. Gladys Children: Loren and Bob Scott. After death of Loren's wife, Bill and Gladys raised the infant dau. Carol Scott.
3. John Gompert, b. Feb. 19, 1892 d. May 2, 1897 buried Morrill, Nebr.
4. Henry Richard Gompert, b. Sept. 17, 1893 Mitchell, Nebr. m. Dec. 24, 1913 Gering, Nebr. Ella A. Rubottom dau. of Wesley Rubottom, b. Jan. 21, 1893 Trenton, Nebr. d. May 8, 1974 Buried at Morrill, Nebr.
 1. Fern Irene Gompert, b. Dec. 15, 1914 Mitchell, Nebr. d. Dec. 25, 1914 Mitchell, Nebr. Buried at Morrill, Nebr.
 2. Fern Louise Gompert, b. Nov. 9, 1915 Mitchell, Nebr. d. Oct. 3, 1922 Mitchell, Nebr. Buried at Morrill, Nebr.
 3. Virginia Leone Gompert, b. Jan. 16, 1921 Gering, Nebr. m. May 3, 1942 Mitchell, Nebr. Charles L. Steele, Son of J.C. Steele, b. Mar. 31, 1922 Scottsbluff, Nebr. Divor. Aug. 1969 m. Mar. 11, 1973 Reuben Jerger, son of Henry Jerger Gering, Nebr. b. Dec. 29, 1921
 1. Stephen Kaye Steele, b. Sept. 6, 1945 Faragut, Idaho.
 2. Charles Raymond Steele, b. Aug. 20, 1946 San Francisco, Cal.
 3. Bruce Richard Steele, b. Sept. 6, 1950 Scottsbluff, Nebr.
 4. Bernard Wesley Gompert, b. June 3, 1923 Mitchell, Nebr. m. June 13, 1943 Mitchell, Nebr. Dorthy Kautz, dau. of George Kautz. b. Mar. 21, 1926 Gering, Nebr.
 1. Terry Lee Gompert, b. Oct. 29, 1944 Scottsbluff, Nebr.
 2. Kurt Galon Gompert, b. Aug. 7, 1952 Scottsbluff, Nebr.
 3. Henry Vince Gompert, b. July 19, 1955 Scottsbluff, Nebr.
 5. Marjorie Fern Gompert, b. Nov. 9, 1926, Mitchell, Nebr. m. June 1, 1945 Mitchell, Nebr. Gerald Graham, son of Bert Graham, Hemingford, Nebraska. b. Dec. 18, 1918.
 1. Sharon Louese Graham, b. Aug. 8, 1947 Scottsbluff, Nebr.

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2. Dennis Orville Graham, b. Sept. 30, 1948 Scottsbluff, Nebr.
3. Rodney W. Graham, b. June 21, 1950 Scottsbluff d. June 21, 1950 Scottsbluff, Nebr.
6. Mervyn Rex Gompert, b. Mar. 16, 1928 Mitchell, Nebr. m. Aug. 21, 1949 Mitchell, Nebr. Marilyn Lee Cooley, dau. of Howard and Eva Cooley b. Feb. 15, 1931 Morrill, Nebr.
 1. Michael Earl Gompert, b. June 28, 1950 Scottsbluff, Nebr.
 2. Susan Lynn Gompert, b. June 24, 1951 Scottsbluff, Nebr.
 3. Myron Rex Gompert, b. July 3, 1953 Scottsbluff, Nebr.
 4. Patricia Marie Gompert, b. Oct. 10, 1954 Scottsbluff, Nebr.
5. Herman Peter Gompert, b. Nov. 16, 1894 Mitchell, Nebr. m. May 27, 1925 Mitchell, Nebr. Frieda Thomas, dau. of Frank and Emma Thomas b. Jan. 25, 1902 Arcadia, Nebr. Herman: d. Nov. 30, 1980
 1. Betty Arlene Gompert, b. April 29, 1926 Mitchell, Nebr. m. June 26, 1946 Mitchell, Nebr. Dean Derald Underberg, son of Ross and Mattie Underberg. b. Jan. 2, 1920.
 1. Cheryl Lynn Underberg, b. Sept. 14, 1947 Norfolk, Nebr.
 2. Jeanne Anne Underberg, b. Apr. 7, 1949 Norfolk, Ne.
 3. Sandra Kay Underberg, b. July 1, 1950
 2. Royce Wayne Gompert, b. May 28, 1927 Mitchell, Nebr. m. June 16, 1951 Scottsbluff, Nebr. Donna Louise Pieper, dau. of Harry Pieper b. Sept. 3, 1933.
 1. Kathryn Louise Gompert, b. July 11, 1952 SB, Nebr.
 2. Karen Sue Gompert, b. July 1, 1953 SB. , Nebr.
 3. Jodene Ann Gompert, b. Jan. 18, 1956 SB., Nebr.
 4. David Wayne Gompert, b. Feb. 9, 1957

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3. Arvid Ray Gompert, b. Feb. 2, 1929 Mitchell, Nebr. m. Sept. 1, 1948 Mitchell, Nebr. Jackie Rae Gentry, dau. of Lloyd Gentry b. June 29, 1930.
1. Colleen Dee Gompert, b. Feb. 15, 1950 Sb., Nebr.
 2. Thomas Leonard Gompert, b. Mar. 30, 1951 Sb., Nebr.
 3. Russell Ray Gompert, b. Mar. 23, 1952 Sb., Nebr.
 4. Gary Lynn Gompert, b. July 17, 1954 Sb., Nebr.
 5. Lori Jane Gompert, b. Mar. 25, 1956 Sb., Nebr.
4. Delores Helen Gompert, b. Dec. 5, 1930 Mitchell, Nebr. m. Mar. 15, 1951 Fort Collins, Colo. Edwin Henshaw Amend, son of Lewis E. Amend b. July 17, 1927 Rocky Ford, Colo.
1. Mary Evelyn Amend, b. Dec. 15, 1951 Edenburo, Scotland
 2. Noel Edwin Amend, b. Dec. 9, 1953
 3. Carol Dee Amend, b. Apr. 1, 1955
 4. Chris Allen Amend, b. Nov. 15, 1957 Akron, Colo.
5. Shirley Marie Gompert, b. June 5, 1932 Mitchell, Nebr. m. June 14, 1953 Mitchell, Nebr. David Walter Fonken b. Oct. 9, 1931 Denver, Colorado
1. Royce Leon Fonken, b. Apr. 29, 1958 Denver, Colo.
 2. Gael Marie Fonken, b. July 29, 1959 Tucson, Ariz.
 3. Paul Wayne Fonken, b. May 9, 1961 Lahore, Pakistan
6. Daryl Herman Gompert, b. June 20, 1934 Mitchell, Nebr. m. June 12, 1955 Honolulu, Hawaii Ruth Elaine Andrews, dau. of Mr. and Mrs. Hershel Andrews, Sr. b. May 30, 1937
1. Daniel Daryl Gompert, b. Sept. 4, 1957 Sb., Nebr.
 2. Kenneth Leon Gompert, b. May 4, 1959 Sb., Nebr.
 3. Andrew Burl Gompert, b. Mar. 10, 1964 Sb., Nebr.
7. Leon Thomas Gompert, b. Feb. 19, 1936 Mitchell, Nebr. m. Mar. 30, 1963 Belle Plaine, Iowa Bonnie Lee Allen, dau. of Oscar Allen b. Nov. 3, 1942 Belle Plain, Iowa
1. Scott Allen Gompert, b. Feb. 17, 1964
 2. Deanna Marie Gompert, b. Mar. 25, 1967
 3. Jon Thomas Gompert, b. Nov. 12, 1970

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6. Jacob Gompert, b. Feb. 25, 1896 d. May 17, 1976 Mitchell, Nebr. m. July 28, 1948 Bridgeport, Nebr. Anna Schwartzkoph b. Oct. 22, 1904 Kraft, Russia. Anna's ch: Betty, Floyd, Jake, Albert, and Virginia was b. Aug. 12, 1933 Torrington, Wyo. m. Dick Frey; m. Max Getts.
7. John J. Gompert, b. June 27, 1897 Mitchell, Nebr. m. Jan. 3, 1923 Gering, Nebr. Lucetta Harris, dau. of Frank and Eliza Harris, b. June 14, 1902 Mitchell, Nebr. d. July 9, 1980.
 1. Donald Gompert, b. June 21, 1924 Mitchell, Nebr. m. Feb. 14, 1949 Harrisburg, Nebr. Evelyn I. Nealy, dau. of Lavern Nealy b. Aug. 22, 1928. Divorced. Donald d. Nov. 13, 1982
 2. Josephine Gompert, b. Jan. 25, 1928 Mitchell, Nebr. m. June 1, 1950 Scottsbluff, Nebr. L. Jack McElwee, son of Leo McElwee b. Sept. 8, 1923 Calif.
 1. John Robert McElwee, b. May 17, 1951 Scottsbluff, Nebr.
 2. Mary Fern McElwee, b. Sept. 12, 1953 Scottsbluff, Nebr.
 3. Shannon McElwee, b. Dec. 10, 1955 Scottsbluff, Nebr.
 4. Shelly McElwee, b. June 21, 1963 Scottsbluff, Nebr.
8. Anna Maria Gompert, b. Mar. 29, 1900 m. Oct. 17, 1923 Scottsbluff, Neb. James L. Birdsall b. July 24, 1899 Zenda, Kansas d. Nov. 6, 1963.
 1. Larry Ray Birdsall, b. Dec. 2, 1931 Scottsbluff, Nebr. m. Jan. 1, 1955 Mitchell, Nebr. Constance B. Mouser, dau. of Mrs. W.H. Parker b. Oct. 15, 1935 Omaha, Nebr.
 1. Janelle Kay Birdsall, b. Dec. 1, 1955 Barksdale Air Force Base, Bosier City, Iowa. (Shreveport, Iowa)
 2. Kerry Lynn Birdsall, b. Oct. 24, 1959 Morrill, Nebr.
 2. Jay Willard Birdsall, b. May 28, 1934 Scottsbluff, Nebr. m. Feb. 18, 1954 Fort Collins, Colo. Shirley A. Johnson b. May 9, 1934. Divorced and Shirley m. Paul Mumford of Chicago.
 1. Kathleen Marie Birdsall, b. Oct. 1, 1954 Chicago, Ill. Adopted by P. Mumford.
 2. Stephen Jay Birdsall, b. Oct. 23, 1955 Chicago, Ill. Adopted by P. Mumford

Jay Birdsall m. Aug. 16, 1958 Evelyn Marie Durnal, dau. of Leo and Marie Durnal b. Mar. 23, 1937.

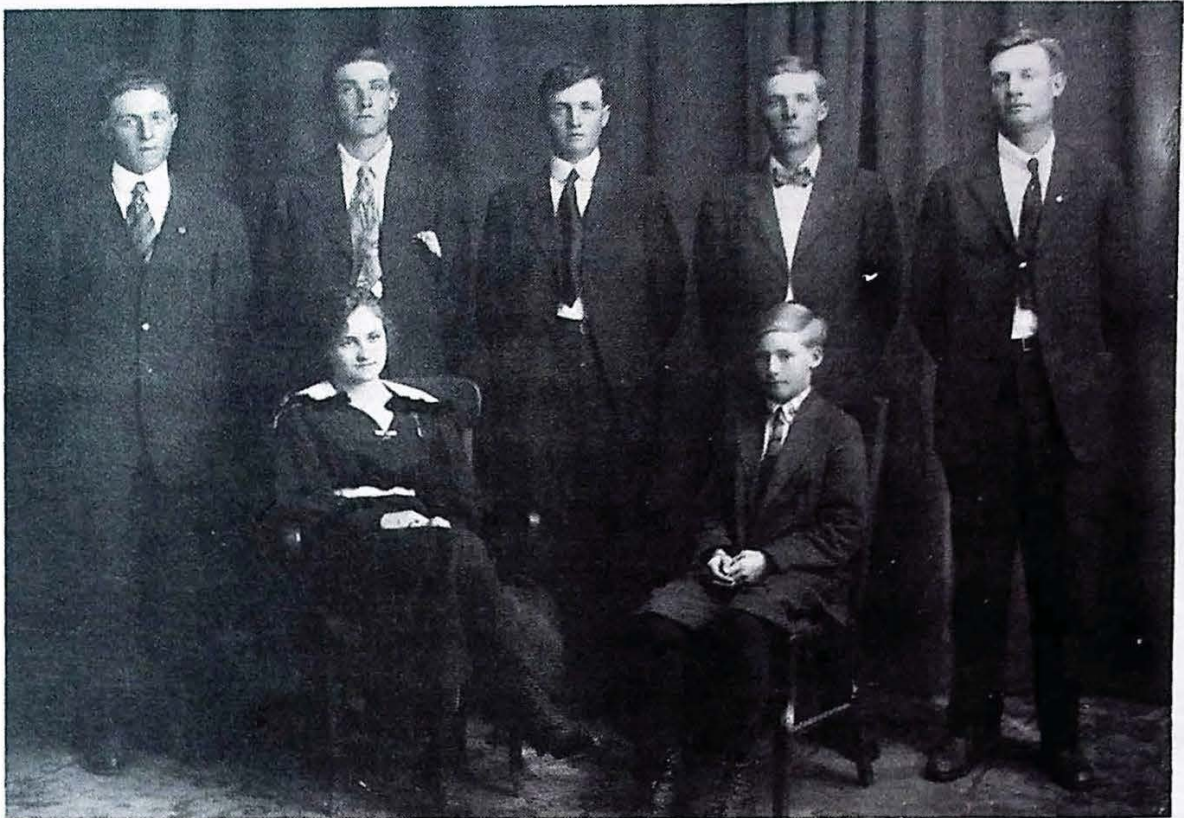
 1. Cynthia Marie Birdsall, b. May 11, 1959 Scottsbluff, Nebr.
 2. Stephen Jay Birdsall, b. July 7, 1961 Scottsbluff, Nebr.

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9. Edward Gompert, b. 1903 Mitchell, Nebr. d. August 18, 1904 Mitchell, Nebr. Kidney Infection. First buried on Valentine Thomas Homestead.
10. Carl Edward Gompert, b. August 26, 1905 Mitchell, Nebr. m. March 25, 1925 Torrington, Wyo. Maude Stockam, dau. of Samuel E. Stockham b. April 9, 1910 Rock Island, Texas. Carl d. Dec. 25, 1968, Maude d. April 10, 1978 both are buried at Morrill, Nebr.
 1. Stanley Eugene Gompert, b. June 5, 1926 Mitchell, Nebr. d. Febr. 18, 1978 Cheyenne, Wyo. m. Sept 9, 1950 Kimball, Nebr. Maxine Harrison, dau. of Irene Blacker Harrison. b. Nov. 5, 1930 Gering, Nebraska.
 1. Donna Lee Gompert. b. April 26, 1951 Sb., Nebr.
 2. Dianne Kay Gompert, b. Aug. 16, 1953 Sb., Nebr.
 3. Dixie Ray Gompert, b. Aug. 28, 1954 Sb., Nebr.
 4. Carl Eugene Gompert, b. April 28, 1956 Sb., Nebr.
2. Wanda Gompert, b. Apr. 23, 1928 Mitchell, Sioux County Nebr., Nebr. m. Febr. 28, 1946 Lusk, Wyo. Richard Dale Emerson b. June 10, 1927 Broken Bow, Nebr. d. Mar. 27, 1959 Mitchell, Nebr. Wanda later m. Harold Duncan, Wayne Hale.
 1. Richard Dale Emerson, b. Nov. 2, 1946
 2. Sandra Kay Emerson, b. Apr. 6, 1949
 3. Jerry Lee Emerson, b. May 6, 1951
 4. Tommy Dean Emerson, b. Dec. 14, 1954



**Gerhardt Gompert's family, Jake, John, Herman, Henry, William, Anna, and Carl
Year 1917 or 1918**



William, Henry, Herman, Jake, John, Anna Birdsall, Carl Gompert - 1950's

FAMILY GROUP No.

Husband's Full Name Stephen Kay Steele

This Information Obtained From:	Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband			
	Birth	6	9	1945	Farragut		Idaho	Naval Base			
	Chr'nd				Scottsbluff		Nebraska	Plym. Congr.			
	Mar.	5	7	1969	Tucson		Arizona				
	Death										
	Burial										
	Places of Residence										
	Occupation		Church Affiliation			Military Rec.					
	Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.										
	His Father	Charles Loren Steele				Mother's Maiden Name	Virginia Leone Gompert				
	Wife's Full Maiden Name Patricia Ann Noack										
	Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife			
	Birth	5	7	1945	Davenport		Iowa				
	Chr'nd										
	Death										
	Burial										
Compiler	Places of Residence										
Address	Occupation if other than Housewife		Church Affiliation								
City, State	Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.										
Date	Her Father	Herman Robert Noack				Mother's Maiden Name	Mary Bernardine				
Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children			
1 Frank Taylor Steele Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	2	5	1965	Tucson	Pima	Arizona	Adopt.			
	Mar.										
	Death										
	Burial										
2 Jason Robert Steele Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	10	3	1971	Rosenburg		Oregon				
	Mar.										
	Death										
	Burial										
3 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth										
	Mar.										
	Death										
	Burial										
4 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth										
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7 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth										
	Mar.										
	Death										
	Burial										
8 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth										
	Mar.										
	Death										
	Burial										

FAMILY GROUP No.		Husband's Full Name Charles Raymond Steele							
This Information Obtained From:		Husband's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
		Birth	20	8	1946	Oakland		California	
		Chr'nd							
		Mar.	27	7	1968	Los Alamos		New Mexico	United Chr. Divor.
		Death							
		Burial							
Places of Residence									
Occupation Church Affiliation Military Rec. Navy									
Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.									
His Father Charles Loren Steele Mother's Maiden Name Virginia L. Gompert									
Wife's Full Maiden Name Susan Olive Dow									
Wife's Date		Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife	
Birth		27	2	1947	Anderson		Indiana	St. Johns H.	
Chr'nd		Dedicated at 6 mos. Bpt. Aug. 1956. Anderson Ind. Est. Bpts.							
Death									
Burial									
Compiler		Places of Residence							
Address		Occupation if other than Housewife Church Affiliation							
City, State		Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar. (Polly)							
Date		Her Father Grove Samuel Dow Jr. Mother's Maiden Name Elizabeth Pauline							
Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)		Children's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1		Birth	1	3	1971	Honolulu	Oahu	Hawaii	Naval Hosp.
Brian Russell Steele		Mar.							
Full Name of Spouse*		Death							
		Burial							
2		Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
3		Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
4		Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
5		Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
6		Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
7		Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
8		Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ Husband's Full Name Bruce Richard Steele

This Information Obtained From:	Husband's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
	Birth	6 9 1950	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
	Chr'nd		Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
	Mar.	18 6 1972	Tucson		Arizona	
	Death					
	Burial					

Places of Residence

Occupation

Church Affiliation

Military Rec. Air Force

Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

His Father Charles Loren Steele Mother's Maiden Name Virginia Leone

Gompert

Wife's Full Maiden Name Karen Lynn Mercer

Wife's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Birth	3 3 1951	Fort Collins		Colorado	
Chr'nd					
Death					
Burial					

Compiler

Places of Residence

Address

Occupation if other than Housewife

Church Affiliation

City, State

Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

Date

Her Father Gilbert Wayne Mercer Mother's Maiden Name Beverly Jane Moore

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1 <u>Andrew Joseph Steele</u> Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	24 5 1976	Tucson	Pima	Arizona	
	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
2 <u>Patrick Wayne Steele</u> Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	26 2 1979			Japan	
	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
3 <u>Full Name of Spouse*</u>	Birth					
	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
4 <u>Full Name of Spouse*</u>	Birth					
	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
5 <u>Full Name of Spouse*</u>	Birth					
	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
6 <u>Full Name of Spouse*</u>	Birth					
	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
7 <u>Full Name of Spouse*</u>	Birth					
	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
8 <u>Full Name of Spouse*</u>	Birth					
	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ Husband's Full Name Terry Lee Gompert

This Information Obtained From:	Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
	Birth	29	10	1944	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
	Chr'd							
	Mar.	2	8	1970	Newman Grove		Nebraska	
	Death							
	Burial							

Places of Residence	Occupation	Church Affiliation	Military Rec.
Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.			
His Father	Bernard W. Gompert	Mother's Maiden Name	Dorothy Jane Kautz

	Wife's Full Maiden Name				Constance Jane Johnson			
	Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
	Birth	7	12	1948	Norfolk		Nebraska	
	Chr'd							
	Death							
	Burial							

Compiler	Places of Residence		
Address	Occupation if other than Housewife	Church Affiliation	
City, State	Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.		
Date	Her Father	Harlan Gayle Johnson	Mother's Maiden Name Lorraine Wilma Gabrielson

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1 Saul Lee Gompert Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	8	8	1973	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
2 Kate Teresa Gompert Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	28	1	1975	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
3 Jenny Dee Gompert Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	6	1	1980	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
4 Julie Jane Gompert Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	21	4	1982	North Platte		Nebraska	
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
5 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
6 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
7 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
8 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No.

Husband's Full Name Kurt Gaylon Gompert

This Information Obtained From:

Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
Birth	7	8	1952	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
Chr'nd				Mitchell		Nebraska	Fed. Ch.
Mar.	28	12	1974	Mitchell		Nebraska	Meth. Ch.
Death							
Burial							

Places of Residence

Occupation

Church Affiliation

Military Rec.

Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

His Father Bernard W. Gompert

Mother's Maiden Name Dorothy J. Kautz

Wife's Full Maiden Name

Sandra Lynne Meyer

Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Birth	28	11	1953	Sidney		Nebraska	
Chr'nd			1954	Sidney		Nebraska	
Death							
Burial							

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Places of Residence

Address

Occupation if other than Housewife

Church Affiliation

City, State

Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

Date

Her Father Willard G. Meyer

Mother's Maiden Name Francis L. Gutherless

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1 Nicholas Dean Gompert Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	25	9	1978	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	W.N.G.H.
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
2 Douglas Roy Gompert Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	4	8	1981	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
3 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
4 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
5 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
6 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
7 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
8 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No.

Husband's Full Name Henry Vince Gompert

This Information Obtained From:

Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
Birth	19	7	1955	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
Chr'nd							
Mar.	6	9	1980	San Antonio		Texas	
Death							
Burial							

Places of Residence

Occupation

Church Affiliation

Military Rec.

Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

Patsy Lee (m. 1974)

His Father Bernard Gompert

Mother's Maiden Name Dorthy Kautz

Wife's Full Maiden Name Sandra E. Bourlier

Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Birth	27	3	1959	Houston		Texas	
Chr'nd				Houston		Texas	
Death							
Burial							

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Places of Residence

Address

Occupation if other than Housewife

Church Affiliation

City, State

Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

Date

Her Father John C. Bourlier

Mother's Maiden Name Anne L. Carney

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1 Vince Lee Gompert Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	31	5	1975	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
2 Zacharah Gompert Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	12	2	1981	San Antonio		Texas	
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
3 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
4 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
5 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
6 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
7 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
8 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No.		Husband's Full Name Donald Ray Buford							
This Information Obtained From:		Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
		Birth	14	5	1950	Sygacauga		Alabama	
		Chr'nd	15	7	1965	Albuquerque		New Mexico	
		Mar.	6	6	1969	Mitchell		Nebraska	Divo. Mar.69
		Death							
		Burial							
Places of Residence									
Occupation Church Affiliation Military Rec.									
Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.									
His Father Mother's Maiden Name Risker Buford									
Wife's Full Maiden Name Sharon Louese Graham									
		Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
		Birth	8	8	1947	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
		Chr'nd	16	2	1963	Lander		Wyoming	
		Death							
		Burial							
Compiler Places of Residence									
Address Occupation if other than Housewife Church Affiliation									
City, State Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar. (2) Steve Hairston									
Date Her Father Gerald G. Graham Mother's Maiden Name Marjorie Gompert									
Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children	
1 Dana Buford Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	8	22	1970	Scottsbluff		Nebraska		
	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								
2 Jamelia Buford Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	11	7	1971	Scottsbluff		Nebraska		
	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								
3 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth								
	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								
4 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth								
	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								
5 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth								
	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								
6 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth								
	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								
7 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth								
	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								
8 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth								
	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ Husband's Full Name Dennis Orville Graham

This Information Obtained From:	Husband's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
	Birth	30 9 1948	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	St. Mary's
	Chr'nd					
	Mar.	4 10 1975	Torrington		Wyoming	
	Death					
	Burial					
	Places of Residence	New York				
	Occupation	Church Affiliation		Military Rec.		
	Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.					
	His Father Gerald Graham			Mother's Maiden Name Marjorie Gompert		

Wife's Full Maiden Name Diane L. Brumm

Wife's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Birth	24 1 1951	Torrington		Wyoming	
Chr'nd					
Death					
Burial					

Compiler	Places of Residence
Address	Occupation if other than Housewife
City, State	Church Affiliation
Date	Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.
	Her Father John Brumm
	Mother's Maiden Name Kraus

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1	Birth					
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
2	Birth					
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
3	Birth					
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
4	Birth					
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
5	Birth					
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
6	Birth					
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
7	Birth					
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
8	Birth					
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					

FAMILY GROUP No.

Husband's Full Name Michael Earl Gompert

This Information Obtained From:

Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
Birth	28	6	1950	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
Chr'nd	25	9	1950	Federated Church	Mitchell	Nebraska	
Mar.	31	12	1977	Mitchell		Nebraska	
Death							
Burial							

Places of Residence

Occupation

Church Affiliation

Military Rec.

Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

His Father Mervyn R. Gompert

Mother's Maiden Name Marilyn L. Cooley

Wife's Full Maiden Name Shirley Mae Hofferber Plath

Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Birth	21	12	1950	Ontario		Oregon	
Chr'nd							
Death							
Burial							

Compiler

Places of Residence

Address

Occupation if other than Housewife

Church Affiliation

City, State

Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar. Allan Plath

Date

Her Father Edward Hofferber

Mother's Maiden Name Thelma Andrews

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1 Matthew Earl Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	19	8	1978	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	W.N.G.H.
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
2 Marc Andrew Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	10	9	1981	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	W.N.G.H.
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
3 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
4 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
5 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
6 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
7 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
8 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ **Husband's Full Name** Randall R. Kephart

This Information Obtained From:	Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
	Birth	27	5	1949	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
	Chr'nd							
	Mar.	26	4	1975	Mitchell		Nebraska	
	Death							
	Burial							

	Places of Residence		
	Occupation	Church Affiliation	Military Rec.
	Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.		
	His Father Ralph Kephart		Mother's Maiden Name Dorthy Fulton

	Wife's Full Maiden Name Susan Lynn Gompert						
Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Birth	24	6	1951	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
Chr'snd							
Death							
Burial							

Compiler	Places of Residence	
Address	Occupation if other than Housewife	Church Affiliation
City, State	Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.	
Date	Her Father Mervyn R. Gompert	Mother's Maiden Name Marilyn L. Cooley

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1 Christopher Eric Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	19	11	1977	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	W.N.G.H.
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
2 Kelly Mark Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	31	8	1979	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	W.N.G.H.
	Mar.							
	Death	31	8	1979	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
	Burial	1	9	1979	Sunset Memorial	Scottsbluff, Neb.		Bpt. 8-31
3 Rebecca Renea Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	28	7	1980	Torrington		Wyoming	
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
4 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
5 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
6 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
7 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
8 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ Husband's Full Name Myron Rex Gompert

This Information Obtained From:	Husband's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
	Birth	3	7	1953	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
	Chr'nd							
	Mar.	24	6	1978	Martin		South Dakota	
	Death							
	Burial							

Places of Residence								
Occupation			Church Affiliation			Military Rec.		
Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.								
His Father <u>Mervyn R. Gompert</u>					Mother's Maiden Name <u>Marilyn L. Cooley</u>			

Wife's Full Maiden Name <u>Nancy Ruth Fairhead</u>								
Wife's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife	
Birth	2	7	1956	Gordon		Nebraska		
Chr'nd								
Death								
Burial								

Compiler	Places of Residence							
Address	Occupation if other than Housewife				Church Affiliation			
City, State	Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.							
Date	Her Father <u>Joy Carl Fairhead</u>				Mother's Maiden Name <u>Lois F. Lichty</u>			

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1 <u>Jessica Joy Fairhead</u> Full Name of Spouse* <u>Gompert</u>	Birth	2	4	1977	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	Ad. 1979
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
2 <u>Joel Matthias</u> Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	19	5	1980	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	W.N.G.H.
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
3 _____ Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
4 _____ Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
5 _____ Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
6 _____ Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
7 _____ Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
8 _____ Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ **Husband's Full Name** Dennis Dean Barthuly

This Information Obtained From:	Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
	Birth	13	12	1954	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	St. Mary's
	Chr'nd	3	4	1955	Mitchell		Nebraska	ME. Chruch
	Mar.	22	9	1973	Mitchell		Nebraska	Fed. Chur.
	Death							
	Burial							

Places of Residence

Occupation

Church Affiliation

Military Rec.

Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

His Father Reuben Barthuly

Mother's Maiden Name Fern L. Barker

Wife's Full Maiden Name Patricia Marie Gompert

Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Birth	10	10	1954	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	W.N.G.H.
Chr'nd	8	4	1955	Mitchell		Nebraska	Fed. Chur.
Death							
Burial							

Compiler

Places of Residence

Address

Occupation if other than Housewife

Church Affiliation

City, State

Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

Date

Her Father Mervyn R. Gompert

Mother's Maiden Name Marilyn L. Cooley

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1 Jeffery Dean Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	2	3	1974	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	W.N.G.H.
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
2 Tracy Dawn Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	12	3	1976	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	W.N.G.H.
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
3 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
4 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
5 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
6 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
7 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
8 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ Husband's Full Name Gordon Snyder

This Information Obtained From:	Husband's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
	Birth	13 11 1946	Norfolk	Madison	Nebraska	
	Chr'nd					
	Mar.	2 20 1969	Southfield	Oakland	Michigan	
	Death					
	Burial					

Places of Residence

Occupation

Church Affiliation

Military Rec.

Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

His Father Milo Snyder

Mother's Maiden Name Loretta Biernbaum

Wife's Full Maiden Name Cheryl Lynn Underberg

Wife's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Birth	14 9 1947	Norfolk		Nebraska	
Chr'nd					
Death					
Burial					

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Places of Residence

Address

Occupation if other than Housewife

Church Affiliation

City, State

Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

Date

Her Father Dean Underberg

Mother's Maiden Name Betty A. Gompert

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1 <u>Craig Matthew</u> Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	14 6 1971	Oconomowoc		Wisconsin	
	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
2 <u>Peter Hamilton</u> Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	31 7 1973	Dothan		Alabama	
	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
3 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
4 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
5 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
6 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
7 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
8 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					

FAMILY GROUP No.		Husband's Full Name		Dale Nye			
This Information Obtained From:		Husband's Date	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
		Birth	8 12 1947	St. Joseph		Michigan	
		Chr'nd					
		Mar.	19 12 1970	Birmingham	Oakland	Michigan	
		Death					
		Burial					
Places of Residence							
Occupation				Church Affiliation		Military Rec.	
Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.							
His Father Harry Hall				Nye		Mother's Maiden Name Leone Becker	
		Wife's Full Maiden Name		Jeanne Anne Underberg			
		Wife's Date	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
		Birth	7 4 1949	Norfolk		Nebraska	
		Chr'nd					
		Death					
		Burial					
Compiler		Places of Residence					
Address		Occupation if other than Housewife				Church Affiliation	
City, State		Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.					
Date		Her Father Dean D. Underberg		Mother's Maiden Name Betty A. Gompert			
Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Date	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children	
1 Amy Lee Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	8 12 1975	Lansing		Michigan		
	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
2 Andrew Dean Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	15 5 1977	Lansing		Michigan		
	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
3 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth						
	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
4 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth						
	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
5 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth						
	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
6 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth						
	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
7 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth						
	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
8 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth						
	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						

FAMILY GROUP No.		Husband's Full Name		Bob Haffeman (Robert Michael)	
This Information Obtained From:		Husband's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc. State or Country
		Birth	6 27 1948	Park Falls	Wisconsin
		Chr'nd			
		Mar.	7 6 1974	Princeton	Wisconsin
		Death			
		Burial			
Places of Residence					
		Occupation		Church Affiliation	Military Rec.
<small>Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.</small>					
		His Father Donald George Haffeman		Mother's Maiden Name Wilma Husby	
Wife's Full Maiden Name Sandra Kay Underberg					
Wife's Data		Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country
		Birth	1 7 1950	Norfolk	Madison Nebraska
		Chr'nd			
		Death			
		Burial			
Compiler		Places of Residence			
Address		Occupation if other than Housewife		Church Affiliation	
City, State		<small>Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.</small>			
Date		Her Father Dean D. Underberg		Mother's Maiden Name Betty A. Gompert	
Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country
1	Birth	29 1 1980	Oconomowoc		Wisconsin
Michael James Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.				
	Death				
	Burial				
2	Birth				
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.				
	Death				
	Burial				
3	Birth				
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.				
	Death				
	Burial				
4	Birth				
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.				
	Death				
	Burial				
5	Birth				
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.				
	Death				
	Burial				
6	Birth				
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.				
	Death				
	Burial				
7	Birth				
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.				
	Death				
	Burial				
8	Birth				
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.				
	Death				
	Burial				

FAMILY GROUP No.

Husband's Full Name

This Information Obtained From:

Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
Birth							
Chr'nd							
Mar.							
Death							
Burial							

Places of Residence

Occupation

Church Affiliation

Military Rec.

Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

His Father

Mother's Maiden Name

Wife's Full Maiden Name Kathryn Louise Gompert

Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Birth	11	7	1952	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
Chr'nd							
Death							
Burial							

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Places of Residence

Address

Occupation if other than Housewife

Church Affiliation

City, State

Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

Date

Her Father Royce W. Gompert

Mother's Maiden Name Donna L. Pieper

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
2	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
3	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
4	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
5	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
6	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
7	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
8	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No.		Husband's Full Name		Mark Perkins		(middle--Wayne)	
This Information Obtained From:		Husband's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
		Birth	21 11 1952	Omaha		Nebraska	Adop.
		Chr'nd		Mitchell		Nebraska	
		Mar.	24 6 1972	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
		Death					
		Burial					
Places of Residence							
		Occupation		Church Affiliation		Military Rec.	
Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.							
		His Father Wayne Perkins		Mother's Maiden Name Marie Abernathy			
Wife's Full Maiden Name Karen Sue Gompert							
		Wife's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
		Birth	1 7 1953	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	St. Mary's
		Chr'nd	29 8 1953	Mitchell		Nebraska	St. Theresa
		Death					
		Burial					
Compiler		Places of Residence					
Address		Occupation if other than Housewife		Church Affiliation			
City, State		Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.					
Date		Her Father Royce W. Gompert		Mother's Maiden Name Donna L. Pieper			
Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children	
1	Birth	2 3 1975	Saginaw		Michigan		
Jason Erich Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
2	Birth	22 3 1977	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	W.N.G.H.	
Jerad Heath Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
3	Birth	13 7 1982	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	W.N.G.H.	
Derrick Lynn Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
4	Birth						
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
5	Birth						
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
6	Birth						
Full Name of Spouse	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
7	Birth						
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
8	Birth						
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ **Husband's Full Name** Bryan Nielsen

This Information Obtained From:		Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
		Birth	22	5	1956	Logan		Utah	
		Chr'nd							
		Mar.	24	11	1978	Hyrum		Utah	
		Death							
		Burial							
Places of Residence									
Occupation			Church Affiliation				Military Rec.		
Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.									
His Father Lennis Nielsen						Mother's Maiden Name Geniel			
Wife's Full Maiden Name Jodene Ann Gompert									
		Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
		Birth	18	1	1956	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
		Chr'nd							
		Death							
		Burial							
Compiler									
Places of Residence									
Address									
Occupation if other than Housewife									
Church Affiliation									
City, State									
Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.									
Date									
Her Father Royce W. Gompert						Mother's Maiden Name Donna L. Pieper			
Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children	
1	Birth	30	7	1980	Hyrum		Utah		
Tena Marie Nielsen Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								
2	Birth								
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								
3	Birth								
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								
4	Birth								
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								
5	Birth								
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								
6	Birth								
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								
7	Birth								
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								
8	Birth								
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ Husband's Full Name David Wayne Gompert

This Information Obtained From:	Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
	Birth	9	2	1957	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	St. Mary's
	Chr'nd	24	2	1957	Mitchell		Nebraska	St. Thersa
	Mar.	2	8	1975	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
	Death							
	Burial							

Places of Residence

Occupation _____ Church Affiliation _____ Military Rec. _____

Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

His Father Royce Wayne Gompert Mother's Maiden Name Donna L. Pieper

Wife's Full Maiden Name Pamela Dawn Andreas

Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Birth	31	1	1958	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	St. Mary's
Chr'nd	16	3	1958	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
Death							
Burial							

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Places of Residence

Address _____

Occupation if other than Housewife _____

Church Affiliation _____

City, State _____

Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

Date _____ Her Father Challen Dean Andreas Mother's Maiden Name Geraldiane Spreier

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1 <u>Kellie Kay Gompert</u> Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	5	2	1976	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	St. Mary's
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
2 <u>Amy Marie Gompert</u> Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	23	10	1978	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	W.N.G.H.
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
3 <u>Dustin Wayne Gompert</u> Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	6	3	1981	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	W.N.G.H.
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
4 <u>Full Name of Spouse*</u>	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
5 <u>Full Name of Spouse*</u>	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
6 <u>Full Name of Spouse*</u>	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
7 <u>Full Name of Spouse*</u>	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
8 <u>Full Name of Spouse*</u>	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ Husband's Full Name **Jimmy Ralph Darnell III**

This Information Obtained From:	Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
	Birth	17	4	1949	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
	Chr'nd	30	7	1961	Mitchell		Nebraska	
	Mar.	1	6	1968	Mitchell		Nebraska	Fed. Ch.
	Death							
	Burial							

Places of Residence

Occupation

Church Affiliation

Military Rec.

Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

His Father **Jimmy R. Darnell Jr.** Mother's Maiden Name **Phyllis Marilyn**

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Wife's Full Maiden Name **Calleen Dee Gompert**

Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Birth	15	2	1950	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
Chr'nd				Mitchell		Nebraska	Fed. Ch.
Death							
Burial							

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Places of Residence

Address

Occupation if other than Housewife

Church Affiliation

City, State

Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

Date

Her Father **Arvid Ray Gompert** Mother's Maiden Name **Jackie Rae Gentry**

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1 Jerry Lee Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	22	9	1968	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	Bpt. 29-12-68
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
2 Jeff Allan Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	25	8	1973	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	Bpt 2-12-73
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
3 Jon Michael Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	9	3	1978	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	Bpt 30-6-77
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
4 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
5 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
6 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
7 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
8 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No.		Husband's Full Name Thomas Leonard Gompert							
This Information Obtained From:		Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
		Birth	30	3	1951	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
		Chr'nd				Mitchell		Nebraska	Fed. Ch.
		Mar.	31	12	1976	Laramie		Wyoming	
		Death							
		Burial							
Places of Residence									
Occupation Church Affiliation Military Rec.									
Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.									
His Father Arvid Ray Gompert Mother's Maiden Name Jackie Rae Gentry									
Wife's Full Maiden Name Anne Elizabeth Peters									
		Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
		Birth	3	8	1954	Holdrege		Nebraska	
		Chr'nd							
		Death							
		Burial							
Compiler		Places of Residence							
Address		Occupation if other than Housewife Church Affiliation							
City, State		Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.							
Date		Her Father Arlan Peters Mother's Maiden Name Margorie Lutjeharms							
Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)		Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1 Peter Thomas Full Name of Spouse*		Birth	14	1	1980	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	W.N.G.H.
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
2 Michael Thomas Full Name of Spouse*		Birth	10	5	1981	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	W.N.G.H.
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
3 Full Name of Spouse*		Birth							
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
4 Full Name of Spouse*		Birth							
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
5 Full Name of Spouse*		Birth							
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
6 Full Name of Spouse*		Birth							
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
7 Full Name of Spouse*		Birth							
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
8 Full Name of Spouse*		Birth							
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No. _____		Husband's Full Name <u>Russell Ray Gompert</u>							
This Information Obtained From: _____		Husband's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
		Birth	23	3	1952	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
		Chr'nd							
		Mar.	1	8	1972	Mitchell		Nebraska	
		Death							
		Burial							
Places of Residence									
Occupation _____ Church Affiliation _____ Military Rec. _____									
Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.									
His Father <u>Arvid Ray Gompert</u> Mother's Maiden Name <u>Jackie Rae Gentry</u>									
Wife's Full Maiden Name <u>Janice Lynn Darnell</u>									
		Wife's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
		Birth	18	15	1953	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
		Chr'nd							
		Death							
		Burial							
Compiler _____ Places of Residence _____									
Address _____ Occupation if other than Housewife _____ Church Affiliation _____									
City, State _____ Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.									
Date _____ Her Father <u>Jimmy R. Darnell Jr.</u> Mother's Maiden Name <u>Phyllis Klepper</u>									
Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children	
1 <u>Sara Elizabeth</u> Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	2	4	1976	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	W.N.G.H.	
	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								
2 <u>Ryan Russell</u> Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	11	9	1977	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	W.N.G.H.	
	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								
3 <u>Emily Lynn</u> Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	30	3	1980	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	W.N.G.H.	
	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								
4 <u>Ross Russell</u> Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	28	7	1982	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	W.N.G.H.	
	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								
5 _____ Full Name of Spouse*	Birth								
	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								
6 _____ Full Name of Spouse*	Birth								
	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								
7 _____ Full Name of Spouse*	Birth								
	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								
8 _____ Full Name of Spouse*	Birth								
	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ Husband's Full Name Jim Royston

This Information Obtained From:	Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
	Birth	19	1	1951	Carson City		Missouri	
	Chr'nd							
	Mar.	4	8	1973	Laramie		Wyoming	
	Death							
	Burial							

Places of Residence

Occupation

Church Affiliation

Military Rec.

Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

His Father Harold Royston

Mother's Maiden Name Mary Tester

Wife's Full Maiden Name Mary Evelyn Amend

Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Birth	15	12	1951	Endinburgh		Scotland	
Chr'nd							
Death							
Burial							

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Places of Residence

Address

Occupation if other than Housewife

Church Affiliation

City, State

Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

Date

Her Father Edwin H. Amend

Mother's Maiden Name Delores H. Gompert

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1 <u>Hilary Ann</u> Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	2	6	1977	Laramie		Wyoming	
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
2 <u>Ashley Brook</u> Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	18	3	1980	Terre Haute		Indiana	
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
3 <u>Full Name of Spouse*</u>	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
4 <u>Full Name of Spouse*</u>	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
5 <u>Full Name of Spouse*</u>	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
6 <u>Full Name of Spouse*</u>	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
7 <u>Full Name of Spouse*</u>	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
8 <u>Full Name of Spouse*</u>	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ **Husband's Full Name** Noel Edwin Amend

This Information Obtained From:		Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
		Birth	9	12	1953	Mountain Home		Idaho	
		Chr'nd							
		Mar.	25	7	1976	Laramie		Wyoming	
		Death							
		Burial							
Places of Residence									
Occupation									
Church Affiliation									
Military Rec.									
Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.									
His Father Edwin H. Amend									
Mother's Maiden Name Delores H. Gompert									
Wife's Full Maiden Name Ginger Wilson									
		Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
		Birth	22	11	1957	Goldsboro		N. Carolina	
		Chr'nd							
		Death							
		Burial							
Compiler									
Places of Residence									
Address									
Occupation if other than Housewife									
Church Affiliation									
City, State									
Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.									
Date									
Her Father Glen Wilson									
Mother's Maiden Name Robbie Tice									
Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children	
1	Birth	20	8	1979	Laramie		Wyoming		
Tracie Noelle Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								
2	Birth	7	11	1981	Laramie		Wyoming		
Kellie Gail Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								
3	Birth								
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								
4	Birth								
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								
5	Birth								
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								
6	Birth								
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								
7	Birth								
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								
8	Birth								
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ Husband's Full Name **Bruce Adams**

This Information Obtained From:		Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
		Birth	16	1	1954	Spencer		Ia.	
		Chr'nd							
		Mar.	30	5	1976	Laramie		Wyoming	
		Death							
		Burial							
Places of Residence									
Occupation Church Affiliation Military Rec.									
Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.									
His Father Gale Adams Mother's Maiden Name Jean Chamberlain									
Wife's Full Maiden Name Carol Dee Amend									
		Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
		Birth	1	4	1955	Cortez		Colorado	
		Chr'nd							
		Death							
		Burial							
Compiler Places of Residence									
Address Occupation if other than Housewife Church Affiliation									
City, State Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.									
Date Her Father Edwin H. Amend Mother's Maiden Name Delores H. Gompert									
Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children	
1	Birth	25	11	1981					
Devin James Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								
2	Birth								
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								
3	Birth								
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								
4	Birth								
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								
5	Birth								
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								
6	Birth								
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								
7	Birth								
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								
8	Birth								
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ Husband's Full Name Chris Allen Amend

This Information Obtained From:	Husband's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
	Birth	15	11	1957	Akron		Colorado	
	Chr'nd							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
Places of Residence								
Occupation			Church Affiliation			Military Rec.		
Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.								
His Father Edwin H. Amend					Mother's Maiden Name Delores H. Amend			

Wife's Full Maiden Name

Compiler	Wife's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
	Birth							
	Chr'nd							
	Death							
	Burial							
Places of Residence								
Address			Occupation if other than Housewife			Church Affiliation		
City, State								
Date								
Her Father					Mother's Maiden Name			

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
2	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
3	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
4	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
5	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
6	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
7	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
8	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ Husband's Full Name Royce Leon Fonken

This Information Obtained From:	Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
	Birth	29	4	1958	Denver		Colorado	
	Chr'nd							
	Mar.	19	12	1982	Tucson		Arizona	
	Death							
	Burial							

Places of Residence

Occupation

Church Affiliation

Military Rec.

Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

His Father David W. Fonken

Mother's Maiden Name Shirley M. Gompert

Wife's Full Maiden Name Amy Haldeman

Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
	Birth						
	Chr'nd						
	Death						
	Burial						

Compiler

Places of Residence

Address

Occupation if other than Housewife

Church Affiliation

City, State

Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

Date

Her Father

Mother's Maiden Name

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
2 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
3 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
4 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
5 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
6 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
7 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
8 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ **Husband's Full Name** _____

This Information Obtained From:	Husband's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
	Birth							
	Chr'nd							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

Places of Residence								
Occupation			Church Affiliation			Military Rec.		
Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.								
His Father					Mother's Maiden Name			

Wife's Full Maiden Name Gael Marie Fonken								
Wife's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife	
Birth	29	7	1959	Tucson		Arizonia		
Chr'nd								
Death								
Burial								

Compiler	Places of Residence							
Address	Occupation if other than Housewife				Church Affiliation			
City, State	Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.							
Date	Her Father David W. Fonken				Mother's Maiden Name Shirley M. Gompert			

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
2 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
3 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
4 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
5 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
6 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
7 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
8 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No.		Husband's Full Name		Paul Wayne Fonken			
This Information Obtained From:		Husband's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
		Birth	9 5 1961	Lahore	Pakistan		
		Chr'nd					
		Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
Places of Residence							
Occupation		Church Affiliation		Military Rec.			
<small>Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.</small>							
His Father		David W. Fonken		Mother's Maiden Name		Shirley M. Gompert	
Wife's Full Maiden Name							
Wife's Data		Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife	
		Birth					
		Chr'nd					
		Death					
		Burial					
Compiler		Places of Residence					
Address		Occupation if other than Housewife		Church Affiliation			
City, State		<small>Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.</small>					
Date		Her Father		Mother's Maiden Name			
Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children	
1	Birth						
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
2	Birth						
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
3	Birth						
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
4	Birth						
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
5	Birth						
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
6	Birth						
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
7	Birth						
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
8	Birth						
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						

FAMILY GROUP No.		Husband's Full Name		Daniel Daryl Gompert				
This Information Obtained From:		Husband's Date	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country		
		Birth	4 9 1957	Scottsbluff		Nebraska		
		Chr'nd						
		Mar.	6 5 1978	Grand Lakes		Colorado		
		Death						
		Burial						
		Places of Residence						
		Occupation		Church Affiliation		Military Rec.		
		Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.						
		His Father Daryl Herman Gompert		Mother's Maiden Name Ruth Elaine Andrews				
		Wife's Full Maiden Name		Jennifer Lynne Southard				
		Wife's Date	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country		
		Birth	26 2 1960					
		Chr'nd						
		Death						
		Burial						
Compiler		Places of Residence						
Address		Occupation if other than Housewife		Church Affiliation				
City, State		Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.						
Date		Her Father Kenneth Southard		Mother's Maiden Name Sharon L. DuBato				
Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1	Birth	29	6	1979	Ord		Nebraska	
Michelle Lynne Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
2	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
3	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
4	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
5	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
6	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
7	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
8	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ Husband's Full Name **Kenneth Leon Gompert**

This Information Obtained From:	Husband's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
	Birth	4 5 1959	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
	Chr'nd					
	Mar.	31 7 1979	Burwell		Nebraska	
	Death					
	Burial					

Places of Residence

Occupation

Church Affiliation

Military Rec.

Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

His Father **Daryl H. Gompert**

Mother's Maiden Name **Ruth Elaine Andrews**

Wife's Full Maiden Name **Letitia Sue Barta**

Wife's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Birth	29 12 1958				
Chr'nd					
Death					
Burial					

Compiler

Places of Residence

Address

Occupation if other than Housewife

Church Affiliation

City, State

Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

Date

Her Father **Dale L. Barta**

Mother's Maiden Name **Sherrill D. Brockman**

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1 Matthew Lee Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	7 4 1982			Nebraska	
	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
2 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
3 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
4 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
5 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
6 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
7 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
8 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ Husband's Full Name **Andrew Burl Gompert**

This Information Obtained From:	Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
	Birth	10	3	1964	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
	Chr'nd							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

Places of Residence								
Occupation			Church Affiliation			Military Rec.		
Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.								
His Father Daryl H. Gompert					Mother's Maiden Name Ruth E. Andrews			

Wife's Full Maiden Name								
Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife	
Birth								
Chr'nd								
Death								
Burial								

Compiler	Places of Residence							
Address	Occupation if other than Housewife				Church Affiliation			
City, State	Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.							
Date	Her Father				Mother's Maiden Name			

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
2	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
3	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
4	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
5	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
6	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
7	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
8	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ Husband's Full Name Scott Allen Gompert

This Information Obtained From:	Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
	Birth	17	2	1964	Cedar Rapids		Iowa	
	Chr'nd							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

Places of Residence								
Occupation			Church Affiliation			Military Rec.		
Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.								
His Father <u>Leon T. Gompert</u>					Mother's Maiden Name <u>Bonnie L. Allen</u>			

Wife's Full Maiden Name								
Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife	
Birth								
Chr'nd								
Death								
Burial								

Compiler	Places of Residence							
Address	Occupation if other than Housewife				Church Affiliation			
City, State	Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.							
Date	Her Father				Mother's Maiden Name			

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
2	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
3	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
4	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
5	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
6	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
7	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
8	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ Husband's Full Name _____

This Information Obtained From:	Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
	Birth							
	Chr'nd							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

Places of Residence								
Occupation				Church Affiliation			Military Rec.	
Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.								
His Father					Mother's Maiden Name			

Wife's Full Maiden Name Deanna Marie Gompert								
Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife	
	Birth	25	3	1967	West Allis	Wisconsin		
	Chr'nd							
	Death							
	Burial							

Compiler	Places of Residence							
Address	Occupation if other than Housewife				Church Affiliation			
City, State	Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.							
Date	Her Father Leon T. Gompert				Mother's Maiden Name Bonnie L. Allen			

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
2 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
3 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
4 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
5 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
6 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
7 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
8 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ Husband's Full Name Jon Thomas Gompert

This Information Obtained From:	Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
	Birth	12	11	1970	Cedar Rapids		Iowa	
	Chr'nd							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

Places of Residence

Occupation _____ Church Affiliation _____ Military Rec. _____

Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

His Father Leon T. Gompert Mother's Maiden Name Bonnie L. Allen

Wife's Full Maiden Name

Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Birth							
Chr'nd							
Death							
Burial							

Compiler _____

Places of Residence _____

Address _____

Occupation if other than Housewife _____

Church Affiliation _____

City, State _____

Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

Date _____

Her Father _____

Mother's Maiden Name _____

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
2	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
3	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
4	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
5	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
6	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
7	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
8	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ Husband's Full Name John Robert McElwee

This Information Obtained From:	Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
	Birth	17	5	1951	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
	Chr'd							
	Mar.	20	12	1974				
	Death							
	Burial							

Places of Residence			
Occupation	Church Affiliation	Military Rec.	
Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.			
His Father Jack McElwee		Mother's Maiden Name Josephine Gompert	

Wife's Full Maiden Name Paula Bush							
Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Birth	21	2	1954				
Chr'd							
Death							
Burial							

Compiler	Places of Residence		
Address	Occupation if other than Housewife	Church Affiliation	
City, State	Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.		
Date	Her Father		Mother's Maiden Name

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
2	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
3	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
4	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
5	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
6	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
7	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
8	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ Husband's Full Name Walter Cline

This Information Obtained From:	Husband's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
	Birth	17	10	1950	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
	Chr'nd							
	Mar.	1	6	1974				
	Death							
	Burial							

Places of Residence

Occupation

Church Affiliation

Military Rec.

Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

His Father Glen R. Cline

Mother's Maiden Name

Wife's Full Maiden Name Mary Fern McElwee

Wife's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Birth	12	9	1953	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
Chr'nd							
Death							
Burial							

Compiler

Places of Residence

Address

Occupation if other than Housewife

Church Affiliation

City, State

Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

Date

Her Father Jack McElwee

Mother's Maiden Name Josephine Gompert

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1 <u>Benjamin Jackson</u> Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	10	12	1975	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
2 <u>Katherine Diane</u> Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	27	6	1979	Kenai		Alaska	
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
3 <u>Full Name of Spouse*</u>	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
4 <u>Full Name of Spouse*</u>	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
5 <u>Full Name of Spouse*</u>	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
6 <u>Full Name of Spouse*</u>	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
7 <u>Full Name of Spouse*</u>	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
8 <u>Full Name of Spouse*</u>	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ **Husband's Full Name** Les Kampbell

This Information Obtained From:	Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
	Birth	24	9	1954	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
	Chr'nd							
	Mar.	16	7	1974				
	Death							
	Burial							

Places of Residence			
Occupation	Church Affiliation	Military Rec.	
Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.			
His Father Leo Kampbell		Mother's Maiden Name	

Wife's Full Maiden Name Shannon McElwee							
Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Birth	10	12	1955	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
Chr'nd							
Death							
Burial							

Places of Residence			
Compiler	Address	Occupation if other than Housewife	Church Affiliation
City, State	Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.		
Date	Her Father Jack McElwee	Mother's Maiden Name Josephine Gompert	

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1 Bryan Lee Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	28	10	1974	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
2 Erin Faye Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	13	6	1980	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
3 Lindsay Kaye Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	26	6	1982	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
4 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
5 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
6 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
7 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
8 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ **Husband's Full Name** _____

This Information Obtained From:	Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
	Birth							
	Chr'nd							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

Places of Residence

Occupation _____ Church Affiliation _____ Military Rec. _____

Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

His Father _____

Mother's Maiden Name _____

Wife's Full Maiden Name Shelly McElwee

Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Birth	21	6	1963	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
Chr'nd							
Death							
Burial							

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Places of Residence _____

Address _____

Occupation if other than Housewife _____

Church Affiliation _____

City, State _____

Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

Date _____

Her Father Jack McElwee

Mother's Maiden Name Josephine Gompert

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
2	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
3	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
4	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
5	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
6	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
7	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
8	Birth							
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ Husband's Full Name **Martin Earl Anderson**

This Information Obtained From:	Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
	Birth	9	2	1952	Denver		Colorado	
	Chr'nd							Luthern
	Mar.	25	11	1978	Mitchell		NEbraska	Fed. Chr.
	Death							
	Burial							

Places of Residence

Occupation _____ Church Affiliation _____ Military Rec. _____

Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

His Father **Earl Martin Anderson** Mother's Maiden Name **Elaine E. Engblom**

Wife's Full Maiden Name **Janelle Kay Birdsall**

Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Birth	1	12	1955	Bosier City (Shreaveport)		Iowa	Barksdale A.F.B.
Chr'nd	13	5	1956	Mitchell		Nebraska	Fed. Chr.
Death							
Burial							

Compiler _____

Places of Residence

Address _____

Occupation if other than Housewife _____

Church Affiliation _____

City, State _____

Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

Date _____

Her Father **Larry R. Birdsall** Mother's Maiden Name **Constance Mouser**

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1	Birth							
	Mar.							
Full Name of Spouse*	Death							
	Burial							
2	Birth							
	Mar.							
Full Name of Spouse*	Death							
	Burial							
3	Birth							
	Mar.							
Full Name of Spouse*	Death							
	Burial							
4	Birth							
	Mar.							
Full Name of Spouse*	Death							
	Burial							
5	Birth							
	Mar.							
Full Name of Spouse*	Death							
	Burial							
6	Birth							
	Mar.							
Full Name of Spouse*	Death							
	Burial							
7	Birth							
	Mar.							
Full Name of Spouse*	Death							
	Burial							
8	Birth							
	Mar.							
Full Name of Spouse*	Death							
	Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No.		Husband's Full Name		Kerry Lynn Birdsall			
This Information Obtained From:		Husband's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
		Birth	24 10 1959	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
		Chr'nd	25 12 1961	Mitchell		Nebraska	Fed. Chr.
		Mar.					
Birdsall, Hunter & Hagler Family History available		Death					
		Burial					
		Places of Residence					
		Occupation		Church Affiliation		Military Rec.	
		Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.					
		His Father		Larry R. Birdsall		Mother's Maiden Name Constance Mouser	
		Wife's Full Maiden Name					
		Wife's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
		Birth					
		Chr'nd					
		Death					
		Burial					
Compiler		Places of Residence					
Address		Occupation if other than Housewife		Church Affiliation			
City, State		Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.					
Date		Her Father		Mother's Maiden Name			
Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children	
1	Birth						
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
2	Birth						
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
3	Birth						
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
4	Birth						
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
5	Birth						
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
6	Birth						
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
7	Birth						
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
8	Birth						
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						

FAMILY GROUP No.		Husband's Full Name		Daryl Frederick Burkhardt			
This Information Obtained From:		Husband's Date	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
		Birth	10 2 1955	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
		Chr'nd	5 1955	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	Zion Evang.
		Mar.	18 6 1977	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
		Death					
		Burial					
Places of Residence							
		Occupation		Church Affiliation		Military Rec.	
Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.							
		His Father Edward Burkhardt		Mother's Maiden Name Freda Schmidt			
Wife's Full Maiden Name Cynthia Marie Birdsall							
		Wife's Date	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
		Birth	11 5 1959	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
		Chr'nd					
		Death					
		Burial					
Compiler							
		Places of Residence		Church Affiliation			
Address		Occupation if other than Housewife		Church Affiliation			
City, State		Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.					
Date		Her Father Jay W. Birdsall		Mother's Maiden Name Evelyn M. Durnal			
Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Date	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children	
1	Birth	1 2 1979	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	Bpt. Easter 1979	
Levi Frederick Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
2	Birth						
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
3	Birth						
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
4	Birth						
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
5	Birth						
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
6	Birth						
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
7	Birth						
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						
8	Birth						
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.						
	Death						
	Burial						

FAMILY GROUP No.

Husband's Full Name Stephen Jay Birdsall

This Information Obtained From:

Husband's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
Birth	7 7 1961	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
Chr'nd					
Mar.					
Death					
Burial					

Places of Residence

Occupation

Church Affiliation

Military Rec.

Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

His Father Jay W. Birdsall

Mother's Maiden Name Evelyn M. Durnal

Wife's Full Maiden Name

Wife's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Birth					
Chr'nd					
Death					
Burial					

Compiler

Places of Residence

Address

Occupation if other than Housewife

Church Affiliation

City, State

Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

Date

Her Father

Mother's Maiden Name

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1	Birth					
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
2	Birth					
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
3	Birth					
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
4	Birth					
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
5	Birth					
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
6	Birth					
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
7	Birth					
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					
8	Birth					
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.					
	Death					
	Burial					

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ Husband's Full Name **Alfred Baker**

This Information Obtained From: _____

Husband's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
Birth							
Chr'nd							
Mar.							
Death							
Burial							

Places of Residence

Occupation

Church Affiliation

Military Rec.

Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

His Father

Mother's Maiden Name

Wife's Full Maiden Name **Donna Lee Gompert**

Wife's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Birth	26	4	1951	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
Chr'nd							
Death							
Burial							

Compiler

Places of Residence

Address

Occupation if other than Housewife

Church Affiliation

City, State

Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

(1) Jerry Bretthauer

Date

Her Father **Stanley Gompert**

Mother's Maiden Name **Maxine Harrison**

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1 Jerimiah Rue Bretthauer Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	23	4	1970	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
2 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
3 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
4 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
5 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
6 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
7 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
8 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ **Husband's Full Name** _____

This Information Obtained From:	Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
	Birth							
	Chr'd							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

Places of Residence			
Occupation	Church Affiliation	Military Rec.	
Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.			
His Father		Mother's Maiden Name	

Wife's Full Maiden Name							
Dianne Kay Gompert							
Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Birth	16	4	1953	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
Chr'd							
Death							
Burial							

Compiler			
Places of Residence			
Address		Occupation if other than Housewife	
City, State		Church Affiliation	
Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.			
Date		Her Father Stanley Gompert	
		Mother's Maiden Name Maxine Harrison	

x	Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1	Brooke Lucretia Wagner Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	1	2	1979	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
2	Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
3	Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
4	Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
5	Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
6	Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
7	Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
8	Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ **Husband's Full Name** Bill Edwin VanGelder

This Information Obtained From:	Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
	Birth	20	8	1954				
	Chr'nd							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

Places of Residence			
Occupation	Church Affiliation	Military Rec.	
Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.			
His Father		Mother's Maiden Name	

Wife's Full Maiden Name Dixie Ray Gompert							
Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Birth	28	8	1954	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
Chr'nd							
Death							
Burial							

Compiler	Places of Residence
Address	Occupation if other than Housewife
City, State	Church Affiliation
Date	Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.
Her Father Stanley Gompert	Mother's Maiden Name Maxine Harrison

x	Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1	Dale Edwin VanGelder Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	26	2	1975	La Junta		Colorado	
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
2	Johnathon Paul Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	22	9	1977	La Junta		Colorado	
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
3	Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
4	Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
5	Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
6	Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
7	Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
8	Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No.

Husband's Full Name

Carl Eugene Gompert

This Information Obtained From:

Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
Birth	28	4	1956	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
Chr'nd							
Mar.	8	2	1978	Cheyenne		Wyoming	
Death							
Burial							

Places of Residence

Occupation

Church Affiliation

Military Rec.

Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

His Father Stanley Gompert

Mother's Maiden Name Maxine Harrison

Wife's Full Maiden Name

Kim Scoggan

Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Birth	2	3	1958	Torrington		Wyoming	
Chr'nd							
Death							
Burial							

Compiler

Places of Residence

Address

Occupation if other than Housewife

Church Affiliation

City, State

Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

Date

Her Father Richard Scoggan

Mother's Maiden Name Karen Deines

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1 Tory Eugene Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	5	8	1978	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
2 Tiffany Kay Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	22	3	1980	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
3 Christopher Sean Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	19	2	1982	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
4 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
5 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
6 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
7 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
8 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ Husband's Full Name Richard Dale Emerson

This Information Obtained From:		Husband's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
		Birth	2	11	1946	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
		Chr'nd							
		Mar.	6	1	1966	Mitchell		Nebraska	
		Death							
		Burial							
Places of Residence									
Occupation				Church Affiliation				Military Rec.	
Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.									
His Father <u>Richard D. Emerson</u>						Mother's Maiden Name <u>Wanda C. Gompert</u>			
Wife's Full Maiden Name <u>Jennie Marie James</u>									
Wife's Date		Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife	
Birth		23	8	1947	McCook		Nebraska		
Chr'nd									
Death									
Burial									
Compiler									
Places of Residence									
Address				Occupation if other than Housewife				Church Affiliation	
Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.									
City, State						Mother's Maiden Name <u>Earlene Williams</u>			
Date									
Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)		Children's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1 <u>Tammy Sue Emerson</u> Full Name of Spouse*		Birth	8	10	1966	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
2 <u>Jeanna Marie Emerson</u> Full Name of Spouse*		Birth	10	7	1969	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
3 _____ Full Name of Spouse*		Birth							
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
4 _____ Full Name of Spouse*		Birth							
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
5 _____ Full Name of Spouse*		Birth							
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
6 _____ Full Name of Spouse*		Birth							
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
7 _____ Full Name of Spouse*		Birth							
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
8 _____ Full Name of Spouse*		Birth							
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No. Husband's Full Name Neil Andrew Brehse

This Information Obtained From:		Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
		Birth	18	6	1952	Albion		New York	
		Chr'nd				Kendall		New York	
		Mar.	18	12	1976				
		Death							
		Burial							
Places of Residence									
Occupation Church Affiliation Military Rec.									
Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar. Brenda Melideo									
His Father William Brehse Mother's Maiden Name Carol Bonke									
Wife's Full Maiden Name Sandra Kay Emerson									
		Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
		Birth	6	4	1949	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
		Chr'nd				Mitchell		Nebraska	
		Death							
		Burial							
Compiler Places of Residence									
Address Occupation if other than Housewife Church Affiliation									
City, State Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar. Paul Herman Rein									
Date Her Father Richard Dale Emerson Mother's Maiden Name Wanda C. Gompert									
Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children	
1 Richard Paul Rein Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	14	9	1970	Idaho Falls	Bonneville	Idaho		
	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								
2 Shaunte Marie Brehse Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	31	7	1977	San Diego	San Diego	California		
	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								
3 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth								
	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								
4 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth								
	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								
5 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth								
	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								
6 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth								
	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								
7 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth								
	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								
8 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth								
	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								

FAMILY GROUP No.

Husband's Full Name Jerry Lee Emerson

This Information Obtained From:

Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
Birth	6	5	1951			Nebraska	
Chr'd							
Mar.	2	9	1969	Mitchell		Nebraska	
Death							
Burial							

Places of Residence

Occupation

Church Affiliation

Military Rec.

Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.His Father RichardEmerson Mother's Maiden Name Wanda GompertWife's Full Maiden Name ^(Mary) Carlene Lee

Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Birth	30	9	1951	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
Chr'd							
Death							
Burial							

Compiler

Places of Residence

Address

Occupation if other than Housewife

Church Affiliation

City, State

Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

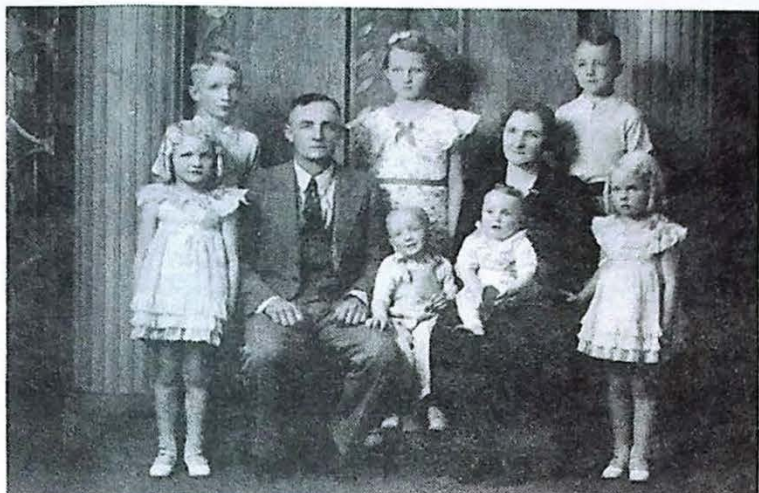
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Her Father Lawrence LeeMother's Maiden Name Gladys Corbin

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1 <u>Lesli Ann</u> Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	17	2	1970	Scottsbluff	Scotts Bluff	Nebraska	
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
2 <u>Chad Lee</u> Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	12	3	1974	Kearney	Buffalo	Nebraska	
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
3 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							
4 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
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7 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth							
	Mar.							
	Death							
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	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ **Husband's Full Name** Tom Dean Emerson

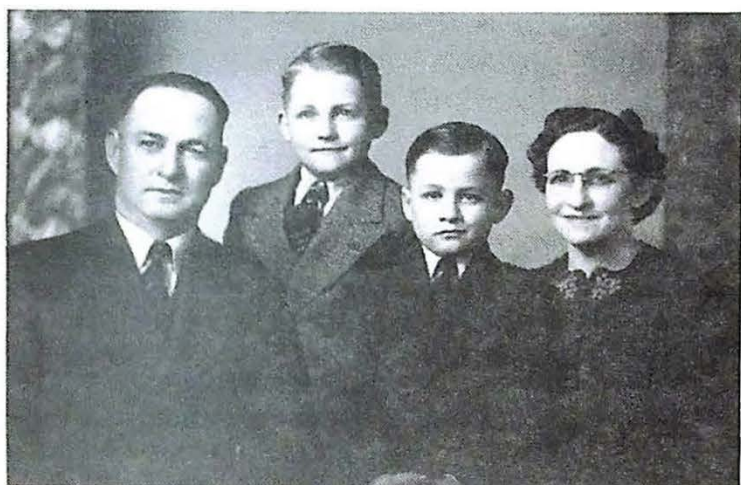
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		Birth	14	12	1954	Scottsbluff		Nebraska	
		Chr'nd							
		Mar.	3	10	1981	Eustis		Nebraska	
		Death							
		Burial							
Places of Residence									
Occupation _____ Church Affiliation _____ Military Rec. _____									
Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. 1974 Ann Marie Meyers (Divor.) Make separate sheet for each mar.									
His Father Richard D. Emerson Mother's Maiden Name Wanda C. Gompert									
Wife's Full Maiden Name Karla Marie Brauer									
		Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
		Birth							
		Chr'nd							
		Death							
		Burial							
Compiler _____ Places of Residence _____									
Address _____ Occupation if other than Housewife _____ Church Affiliation _____									
City, State _____ Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.									
Date _____ Her Father Kenneth Brauer Mother's Maiden Name _____									
Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children	
1 Jessica Rose Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	22	3	1982	Billings		Montana		
	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								
2 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth								
	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								
3 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth								
	Mar.								
	Death								
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4 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth								
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	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								



Herman P. Gompert family



J.G. Gompert and family: Bill and Henry Gompert and families



**Jim, Anna, Larry, and Jay Birdsall
1941**



**Bernard, Henry R. and Mervyn Gompert
Marjorie Graham and Virginia Jerger**



**The Mervyn R. Gompert family
1982**



**Bob Scott, Gladys Scott Gompert
and Bill Gompert**

Collins the 28 December, 1890

Dear brother and sister-in-law:

Just have to tell you that after long useless waiting a letter from you came to light. I know I am lazy, but not the laziest in writing letters. At least I announced my wedding, and it seems to me that anyone who cannot announce such a meaningful step is a negligent person who should improve himself soon.

But I wish you much good luck and happiness in the New Year, and hope that the dear Lord will not let your great work go unrewarded, and your little family will soon have a little sprout.

We here are still real well and full of pep. The dear Lord gave us a fine little boy (William) who is real well and two months old. He did not forget brother Hermann either in that his wife gave him a little girl.

The weather is still nice here.

Dear Wilhelm, write soon how everything looks there. Is brother Heinrich in good shape again. How is Jacob's untrue one, and what does Uncle Jacob in Posen do? What do the Lords in Hulsdonk have in mind, and is everything well in Lohnen?

In the Hopes of a quick answer I will close and greet you all very heartily.

Gerhard Gompert and Wife.

Note: Posen is a city in Poland. In a letter from Gerhard's father Johann, in 1894, it is apparent that he also had a brother, Hermann, who went there. Posen is now called Poznan.

Collins was north of the present site of Morrill, Nebraska. Probably the name of the post office.



Home in Spellen, Germany where the Gompert brothers were born and raised. First two ladies are relatives of the Langenfurth's; Walter Langenfurth; Helen Langenfurth, wife of Henry Langenfurth; Herman Gompert; Marie Gompert Robke, sister of Gerhardt Gompert who lives in Germany; Elizabeth Shultz, sister of Henry L.; Uva Langenfurth son of Walter; and Henry Langenfurth. Picture taken by Frieda Gompert about 1958.

This is a letter Gerhard wrote to Wilhelm. The first and last pages are missing. Sometime after 1905.

Last fall John sold everything here and had bought 360 acres in Arkansas where he likes it very much. I and brother Jacob are still raising cattle and brother Hermann is in the sheep business. I have 175 head of cattle and 18 horses. Brother Jacob and his step-mother-in-law have around 200. Brother Hermann has already sold his wool and sheep for around 1800-1900 dollars.

Our family now consists of 5 boys and 1 girl. Willi, the oldest, will be 15 years old in August, and Anna, the youngest, is 5 years old. During the summer we are expecting another one. Our youngest son, Edward, passed away last summer. He had a growth in the lower bowel which was attached to the left side. We took him to Omaha to the hospital where renowned doctors operated to remove the growth. He was in the hospital 5 weeks and quite well recovered so we took him home again, but soon thereafter the growth started growing again anew real rapidly so that his stomach became very enlarged till a merciful death ended his terrible suffering.

Brother Jacob has 2 boys and 2 girls. Brother Hermann has 1 boy and 1 girl. Gerhard Haubruck moved to California last spring where he bought a plot of 60 acres. Three years ago, brother Hermann bought 160 acres of land and has rented two school sections. One section is a quadred mile of 620 acres. One acre is 1- $\frac{1}{2}$ Morgan. His son Gerhard also took a homestead of 620 acres. Since last year there is a law that one can take 620 acres of land that is not under irrigation, whereas one can only take 80 acres that is under irrigation.

As you perhaps already know, for the last 5 years we have the railroad and towns close to us.

Please write again soon how all of you are. What does Uncle Herman, Jacob, Heinrich Hulser, Sophie, Kathe Paschen and _____ do ?



Declaration of Intention { Filed for Record the 12th day of
 of . . . April A.D. 1889 at 5 o'clock
 Gerhart Gompert - B.F. Gentry Clerk

Declaration of Intention.
 I Gerhart Gompert do declare
 on oath that it is a true and full intention to become
 a Citizen of the United States, and renounce
 a by me forever all allegiance and fidelity
 to all and any foreign Prince, Potentate, State
 and Sovereignty-whatever, and particularly
 to the Emperor of Germany. of whom
 I am a subject

Gerhart Gompert
 Subscribed in my presence, and sworn to before me
 at my office in Spring Nebraska this 12th day
 of April A.D. 1889. B.F. Gentry
 Clerk of the District Court for Scotts Bluff-

State of Nebraska } as
 Scotts Bluff County }
 I C.W. Ford County Clerk of said
 County certify that the foregoing is a true & correct
 copy of the Naturalization Record at Page
 4 of Scotts Bluff County Nebraska
 C.W. Ford
 County Clerk

The following was found in a book entitled "HISTORY OF WESTERN NEBRASKA AND ITS PEOPLE" written by Grant L. Shumway, Scottsbluff, Nebraska. It was published by The Western Publishing & Engraving Company, Lincoln, Nebraska, 1921. The following was found in volume 2 of the issued 3 volumes and found on page 227-228.

GERHARD GOMPERT came from his native Germany to America in the year 1889, and that year had not yet come to its close when he established his residence in the present Scotts Bluff county, where he thus gained a measure of pioneer distinction. The county has gained through his loyalty as a progressive citizen and his well directed activities in the furtherance of agricultural and live-stock industry. Within a short time after his arrival in the county Mr. Gompert took up a homestead in the north central part thereof, his success being evidenced by the fact that he has since evolved from this nucleus a fine farm estate of three hundred and forty acres that are under effective irrigation and two and one-half sections of dry land. He is giving his attention primarily to the cattle business, in which line of enterprise he conducts operations upon a large scale. In initiating this prosperous enterprise he began in the most modest way,--in fact, with only one cow, --but his energy, careful methods and mature judgment have enabled him to make consecutive advancement and gain precedence as one of the substantial men of the county of his adoption. His home place is situated in section 6, township 23-56, and is about six miles distant from Morrill, which is his postoffice address, and six miles from Mitchell. He takes loyal interest in all matter pertaining to the general welfare of the community and is deeply appreciative of the opportunities that have been given to him in Nebraska. He is independent in politics and both he and his wife hold membership in the Lutheran church.

Mr. Gompert was born in Rhine province, Germany, on the 29th of December, 1864, and is a son of John and Marie Gompert, of whose six sons four came to the United States; Herman is a resident of Sioux county, Nebraska; Jacob is a substantial citizen of Scotts Bluff county and is individually mentioned on other pages; John is a resident of Waterloo, Iowa; and Gerhard of this review, is the other one of the four. The father, who was a farmer in Germany, came to the United States in 1888 and returned to the old country after one year. In 1900 he came again with his family and took a homestead. His death occurred in 1906.

Gerhard Gompert gained his early education in the schools of his native land and was twenty-four years of age when he came to America, where he felt assured of better opportunities for achieving independence and prosperity through his own efforts. The passing years have fully justified his hopes and ambition, and he has reason to be proud of the success which he has achieved in connection with farm enterprise in Scotts Bluff county.

In 1889, shortly after his immigration to this country, Mr. Gompert was united in marriage to Miss Elizabeth Langenfurth, who accompanied him on the voyage across the Atlantic and who has been his loyal coadjutor in the labors and responsibilities that have marked the passing years. Of their seven children the eldest is William, who is associated in the work and management of the home ranch, he was in service of the United States during the late war; Henry is actively identified with farm enterprise in Scotts Bluff county; Herman went forth as one of the loyal young men who served with the American Expeditionary Forces in France during the progress of the great World War, he having been assigned to duty in the veterinary corps and his return to his home state having occurred in the summer of 1919; Jacob, who was in the service of the United States during the war; John, Anna and Carl are the younger members of the parental home circle.

The following is a History of the Langenfurth's and is added here because of the fact that Gerhardt Gompert married Elizabeth Langenfurth and this is her family.

LANGENFURTH HISTORY

The founder of the cottage (land) was the dayworker Joseph Heinrich Langenfurth, born by the dam at Drevenack, who in 1813 married Anneken Koopmann from wilm. Koopmann's cottage in Mollen, and with her at that time lived never the less in his birthplace in Voerde in 1821.

On March 29, 1825 he earned from the Smith Kalveram, of Buskens cottage in Eppinghoven, a $6\frac{1}{4}$ acre parcel of land in Mollen on the Voerder Street, that the seller acquired in 1824 through the sectioning and which was known in the map of Mollen (1824) as Meadow 12 no. 68 and 69 (see abstract 27, suite 312). The selling price amounted to 75 Taler (klev) or 57 Taler 30 Sgr. 9 Pfennig pr.. He must pay down a 20 Taler (klev) deposit. For the remainder Kalveram allowed him a time period until May 26 1825. If he, however, did not pay all by this date the contract would be looked upon "as if nothing had occurred". (null and void)

In 1826 the "public" administrator granted him permission to erect a house on this parcel of land. Thus he could assume that he could enjoy his own property in a few years. In 1832 he died.

On November 28, 1832, before the Tribunal of Dinslaken, there occurred a property claim, between his widow and children the worth of his worldly belongings, and the upraising of the children under the guardianship of Heinrich Steinbring was set as:

Worth of the Cottage Parcel...151 Thalers 28 Sgr. 6 Pfennig.

Worth of the Furniture.....29 Thalers (same as Taler)

Debts.....53 Thalers 26 Sgr.

The mother reserved half, the children the rest.

Through a contract of the sum carried forward from February 18, 1839 the cottage went under the ownership of the eldest son, Joseph Dietrich Langenfurth, together with a commission to care for the mother for the rest of her life and for each sibling, Geschwistern, Gerhard, Elisabeth, and Wilhelm to be paid with 18 Thaler 15 Sgr. 5 Pfennig.

The mother died October 28, 1841, the daughter Elisabeth on February 20, of the same year being 16 years old, her brother, Dietrich declared to have paid during her sickness 2 Thaler for the casket, 2 Thaler 28 gr. for the death cloths, and the burial 3 Thaler 29 gr.

The brothers Gerhard and Wilhelm Langenfurth took receipt of their inheritance on October 27, 1858. The first one is presently a shipper in the Ruhr area, the latter is a worker in Stockum-Beeck in the Ruhr area. He underlined the receipt with three crosses! Even his parents and brother Deitrich were not given notice of the letter!

Deitrich Langenfurth enlarged his cottage by the purchase of the half of a 12 acre parcel by Eichelkamp from the Mollner section, Meadow 12 Number 99 (map of 1824). The other half Niemuller earned. Up until now the Saxon and School in Eppinghoven owned the land. On March 13 the land came to be sold. Until April 1, 1840 the selling price must have been more than 100 Thaler, it occurred however, a day later since the debtor was only able on that day to obtain an appropriate loan from Fraulein Anna Brig in Dinslaken (see abstract 27, side 312).

Economically the proprietor of Langenfurths cottage was not bedded in roses! In the settlement of the poor funds of the Gotterswickerhamm church, one reads: "In 1846, the needy family of the day worker Langenfurth was given 1 bushel

of rye!" In order to have a small extra income, he worked in 1857 in the tile ovens, that was designed to make the stones (tiles) for the school that was being built on the site of the old school in Mollen. In 1861 he was the street watcher on Voerder street, also during the time from 1876 to 1881. That job earned him 7 Taler yearly and in spite of his difficult situation, he had to pay interest on a mortgage of 150 Talers from 1843, he donated 15 Taler for the school building in November 1857.

The night of June 7, 1860 brought him a painful situation. His twenty year old son, Heinrich went to a dance at Dinslaken. He asked a Mollen girl to grant him the honor to see her home. She refused his request, because she had already promised it to another. This so irritated the anger of the be-littled suitor that he on his return from Dinslaken burned her parents house and drowned himself in the Rhine.

Now the father has only one son named Peter, born in 1838, who learned carpentry as an apprentice of Meister Hermann Korfkamp. He helped build the Mollen school and at the Richtfest earned the customary carpentry journeyman title (winter of 1858). He served in the engineering Battalion No. 7 in 1864, again in the military, he fought in the storming of the Duppeler entrenchment. In Jutland he learned the news that a daughter, Elisabeth (later Gerhardt Gompert's wife), to him was born, but also the tragic message that his wife, Katherine Gockel from Hoffken in Mollen, 14 days after the birth of the child took the last blessing. He was married to her since 10 January 1864.

In 1870, Peter Langenfurth, the fortress engineer, had to register on the 22nd of July in Wesel at the draft board. The hometown administration sent him as a gift 2 Talers three times.

One may certainly suppose that the son Peter, was chosen to soon take over the cottage from his father. He lived there as he, together with Gertrud Hulsdonk from Voerde, in 1867 found a new house plot. However, after 1871 a disagreement arose between father and son which resulted in the sons leaving. He lived later in a cottage in Averbruch near Dinslaken.

Through a contract from November 21, 1875, the couple, Joseph Deitrich Langenfurth and Elisabeth, born Tack, their daughter, Gertrude and her husband, Heinrich Schippers transferred their entire fortune, movable and immovable, to one entire common property, they reserved, however, for the future the relatives and Niebrauch, in the case that the Langenfurth wife should outlive the husband, it would be stipulated that the contractees would give her 15 Pfennig daily. The rest of the children would receive as compensation a certain sum, to wit:

Anna, 345 Mark, of which 150 Marks would be set aside as a dowry; Peter 600 Marks; Margaretha 450 Marks; Helene 300 Marks, 150 which would be set aside as dowry; Christine 300 Marks, 150 of which would be set aside as dowry; The first payment would be made on the death of the father, the second, one year later, and so on until the children had received all their part.

Where did Heinrich Schippers come from? On November 1, 1784 a son of the couple Peter Schippers and Katherine, born Mewissen, named Heinrich in the church St. Helena at Reindahlen baptized. In 1806 he came to the parish of Gotterswickerhamm and on the 3rd of May 1806 converted to the faith and married in 1807 Mechelt Krubmann from the Dollen Cottage in Voerde. After the couple in the first year of their marriage rented different houses. (in 1807 in Bendiks cottage on the Rhine in Mollen, later in Klein Krubmann in Holthausen), they bought a parcel of land of 5 acres (meadow 1 no. 34) plotted in Stockum, in inheritance pact against an inheritance of 100 Taler and a yearly inheritance canon of 4 Taler and 6 Handdiesten and founded a cottage place. A daughter of this couple, of the name Mechthilde, bore in

1842 a son (she was unmarried), the very Heinrich Schippers that Gertrud Langenfurth in Mollen married, and who in 1875 entered Langenfurth's cottage. Previously he lived in Dinslaken, where also his first three children were born. He was a street watcher by proffession, as such he was sworn into it in 1873.

On November 26, 1879, he bought the land at Eichelkamp, that became a cottage in 1839/40, for 3300 Marks as a living place. He obtained at the same time a 4 acre parcel in Voerde in Scheidungsgraben, Meadow 6 no. 227/42 and 238/42, from the shoe-maker Joseph West and Sibylla, widowed Schwas, that in December 3, 1879 was left to him. (see abstract 27, side 312).

Through a contract of August 24, 1905 he designated his son Heinrich as his heir. The other children were paid off with 800 Marks each. These were:

Mathilde, wife of Deitrich Ruhl-Bundermann in Mollen,
 Elisabeth, of the same cottage, wife of Deitrich Heinrich
 Lindekamp, lived at that time in the cottage built by his
 brother-in-law Heinrich Hulser-Stallmann from Mollen (now
 owned by Gerhard Hoof)
 Deitrich, who lived in the country in 1905 near Dusseldorf.

Sources: Court of Dinslaken: Old Mortgage book of Gotterswickerhamm, Bd. 8, Vol. 121, land deeds no. 95 and no. 30, land book Bd. II, Art. 37 Voerde community archives, Military deeds, school deeds, Gotterswickerhamm Church archives, Church book-poor accounts.

This was translated by Paul Jacobson of the Nebraska Western College in 1976.

Aus Gottes Hand nahm er das Leben,
er hat es treu zurückgegeben.



Dem Herrn über Leben und Tod hat es in seinem unerforschlichen
Ratschluß gefallen, heute morgen um 11,50 Uhr unseren lieben
Vater, Schwiegervater, Großvater, Bruder, Schwager und Onkel
Herrn Hermann Langenfurth
im Alter von 78 Jahren nach langem, schwerem, mit großer Geduld
ertragenem Leiden zu sich in die Ewigkeit zu nehmen.

In tiefer Trauer:

Johann Langenfurth
Elfriede Langenfurth, geb. Nuyken
Heinrich Langenfurth
Helene Langenfurth, geb. Hulser
Wilhelm Langenfurth
Aenne Langenfurth, geb. Benninghoff
Gertrud Scholt, geb. Langenfurth
Hermann Scholt
Liabeth Naumann, geb. Langenfurth
Paul Naumann
und Enkelkinder

Dinslaken, Hiesfeld, den 14. März 1951

Die Beerdigung findet am Samstag, dem 17. März 1951, um 15 Uhr vom
Sterbehause in Dinslaken, Hirschstr. 21, aus statt.
Die Trauerfeier ist eine Viertelstunde vorher. Nachfeier im Gemeindehause.

**Death notice of Hermann Langenfurth,
 Brother of Elizabeth Langenfurth Gompert.**

WHAT WAS LIFE LIKE -- FOR PIONEER WOMEN?

By

Marjorie Gompert Graham

They came from the east, from over-seas as well. They were looking, seeking a better life, a dream, an adventure, even an escape. Some moved due to already desperate circumstances, not realizing they could get into even more profound circumstances. Many were lured by the idea of the "Homestead Act". This was the answer to many a dream, the only way to become a land owner!

Numerous men went ahead of their families, leaving small sums with their wives to care for the little ones, as best she could. The men often taking even less for themselves. The future was electrifying! They would soon send for their families and be reunited once again. In spite of being hampered with the weight of paying jobs being similar to finding new conquests in the realm of impossibilities, somehow, somehow families were reunited in the praries, on a homestead.

There were those who came in covered wagons. They came with their families. More often than not ten plus youngsters. Imagine that number of persons in a wagon. As they took along only the barest of necessities, travel must have been starkly bleak.

Upon arrival what sort of a home could one hope for on the praries? Trees on the praries were elusive and intangible to the point of being non-existent. Homes consisted of material at hand, the earth. The first and only floor was literally the ground floor, which was later covered with straw. How the women must have repiningly longed for the floor covering they had left behind. The homes were simply called dug-outs. As the name implies; the room was dug in the side of a steep bank. The removal of dirt being accomplished through the use of a shovel and arm power. Mothers feared for their babies very lives when devastating rains came their way. The mothers, whose lot was often one of being alone during the most benumbing of times, struggled to stave off the imminent water. Waters that would otherwise surely drown her loved ones as it gushed into the dug-out!

The dug-outs at best did provide protection from the elements and roving animals. The pack rats appreciated the dug-outs for the same reasons. They too set up residence in the dug-outs, living up to their names, as they busily moved small articles from one place to another.

Cooking was done outdoors in the "hole in the ground ovens", until one became fortunate enough to acquire a stove.

Aside from the fears and deprivations the pioneer women suffered enveloping loneliness, and prolonged homesickness. These did lamentably overwhelm some to the point of derangement. Mothers in their profound loneliness caused children, particularly the oldest girl to mature earlier than she otherwise would have done. Fathers being gone out of necessity, no nearby neighbors or relatives, mothers would relate and confide their emotions on to their daughters.

Pioneer women were wrung by the desire for such simple items as: a wash basin, broom, kerosene lamps; and to stir the imagination! a cow! If such was unattainable one simply did without. When one finally did acquire a wooden tub, this became a most valuable aid. This one possession served as a washing machine and a bathtub. It also served as a drinking tank for later arrivals, a cow and a horse. Chicks were hatched in this wooden tub also saved from hailstones. Stove fuel, such as cow chips and corn cobs were gathered in the wooden tub. This single item unconsciously found many an out-

let for its use.

A great black wave of loneliness in a new land swishing over her was more difficult to bear than the deprivations suffered. Women on the prairies remorsefully forebear; feeling such was their lot in life.

Cows cost \$30.00, an appalling, unattainable sum. How the mothers pathetically yearned for a cow. It would mean so much. Sweet milk for the babies. Desperate women flamboyantly did the unfathomed. They heroically caught the calves of stray, stranded wild range cows. Perhaps even borrowing from traveling through Texas herds. In herculean attempts because of her feeling for her babies, mothers would obtain milk from wild range cows. This was accomplished by first capturing the calves. The cows would dash after their calves. Somehow the inconceivable would be accomplished. Milk from wild range cows. The pioneer women had strong affection for their children, and had the main responsibility to find something to feed them. The men were usually elsewhere seeking some way to earn a few dollars. Money was needed in order to keep the homestead, to purchase horses, wagon, plow, wash tub, scrub board, and lamps. Most had none such, but came only with an illusive hope.

In such dire circumstances women found themselves miles from a doctor, and the next baby soon to make an arrival. Many distressing events often came about on the prairie when the wife was alone. She faced accidents, illness, unattended births, even death of her children, rackingly alone.

The howl of the coyotes to some would be spine chilling. To the women alone on the prairie they were not to be feared. The coyote were such a wary animal. Their howls were of some small comfort. They unsilenced the stillness of the prairie nights, as if company had come. The hungry lobo wolves were another matter. They are like beasts venturing furtively from lairs, trailed drifting cattle herds. At the sound of wolves violent voices, mothers hurried young ones inside. The wolves were ruthless killers.

Due to being alone so much, women learned well. They helped each other in dispensing epacac, boric acid and calomel. Midwives were older, more experienced women. They were a real comfort to have close by.

Sickness was not a stranger, due to the living conditions. Malnutrition was the rule due to hailstorms, drought, poverty, and other calamities. At times cattle herds coming through stomped out unfenced gardens and crops. Sickness and death were always in the air. One never was sure who would be taken next by death's stranglehold.

The move out of the dug-out into a sod house was still close to the earth. The sod house was made of earth. Pioneers like the animals in their surroundings, took what they could from their uncompromising surroundings.

The settlers exchanged services for labor, as little money was available. They helped each other build sod houses. Sod houses that were well built were warm in the winter, cool in the summer. Those not so well built would collapse in the rain. When attainable, soddies had roof poles covered with cotton wood brush, cut in full leaf, a layer of sod added. The leaves housed numerous insects, which made their presence known by dropping on heads. The door was fastened with leather hinges. The windows were covered with cheese cloth for screens and muslin. A letter written to relatives back east by someone who lived in a sod house goes like this: "This is mail day. I may get this letter off and may not. My baby is just alive. I am alone and will be if she dies. I have nearly killed myself trying to keep them alive until I can get a cow, but I am afraid you will never see my baby!"

"Yesterday as I sat by my sick baby, a bull snake fell down beside her on a flour sack. I killed it with a club. A few minutes later I almost stepped on a rattlesnake by the bed in my bare feet. I killed it. An hour later a great long striped snake darted out of a corner. I killed it. A few minutes

ago an enormous bull-snake got away from me, ran into the wall"...1879 year of.

The women struggled to keep at least $\frac{1}{4}$ mile around the house cleared of any and all vegetation. This was done to discourage mice or other varmints. The mice would burrow into the dirt walls, the snakes in pursuit of the mice would make their appearance. Sod houses made ideal habitats for fleas.

Later, when more prosperous circumstances allowed for hogs, in this area at least life was better. Hogs hate snakes and kept the area free of them. Barnyard hens also heralded the arrival of snakes on the premises.

A fine lady who once lived in a sod house herself, related the following: "The food was jack rabbits, quail and antelope, if one had the money for a gun and bullets. The women had to put the food on the table. If she had a cow, she had milk and butter. She raised chickens, turkeys, and a garden.

It is doubtful the Homesteaders could have made it without the cowboys. They liked each other and helped one another.

After the war between the states, Texas was filled with scattered long horns running wild over the plains. Railroads were being built from Kansas to the east. Thus the market and the way was opened to start the "Texas Longhorn Trail." This had a great effect on the settlers. The cattlemen drove herds into the valley. They lived in cow camps, moved as the land was grazed. The cow chips left behind provided fuel for the settlers. (They learned to pick good brown ones as the white ones didn't burn as well) The dead cows left bones strewn along the prairies. These the settlers loaded into wagons, took them to Sidney, Nebraska to sell for \$2.00 a wagon load. It took three days going, three days getting back, one day to do business. The women were left behind to care for the homestead. The travelers stayed and ate at road ranches along the way. Or one could always stay at another homesteaders along the way. Hospitality was fashionable.

The cow herds at times would ruin the settlers crops and garden as there were no fences to keep them out. The family milk cow might join the cow herds leaving behind the homestead. For these reasons the settlers felt justified in butchering a calf for the family, or to rustle some stragglers. At times the cowboys gave them a half starved animal that wouldn't make it on the trail. The homesteaders was glad to have it, if he had feed to keep it alive. The cowboys paid the homesteaders a small amount to sleep the night, eat and get some washing done. Many a settler gave up their beds for a small pittance. In this way the pioneer women did earn small sums. Everyone was hard up, they helped each other. The cowboys would help the settlers with the livestock. The cowboys did have some money as they earned \$30.00 a month.

At first there were no wells, water had to be carried or hauled for about five miles from the river. Snowed served the purpose when melted. Wells were eventually had dug, sometimes 300 feet deep. These wells made it possible to have gardens. Later as some abandoned homesteads, these wells became horrendous tombs for the one who fell into it. After some deaths, the state paid settlers a \$1.50 for each abandoned well hole that they hand filled.

Some men worked for cattle ranches. One such ranch was called the "PF Ranch" near Henry, Nebraska. They put up hay for small wages, these wages enabled some settlers to keep their homesteads. This too, again left the women and little ones pathetically alone. What little they had was so appreciated. A cow meant so much. News was so far away and long in coming. Mail was gotten in Sidney, settlers took turns going after it when they had business, that was infrequent.

A body was kept busy carrying, gathering cowchips, putting in the fire, carrying out the ashes.

In a blizzard a dugout was preferred. Chances for survival there were pretty good, 55% in a sod house. At such times, there was a rush to bring in the livestock. Precious milk cows sharing the soddie with mothers and

younguns. Livestock that didn't withstand the elements served as food for the wolves, coyotes, and wild cats. Many children lost their lives in the January blizzard of 1888. Many were saved through heroic efforts of school teachers.

Entertainment centered at the sod school house, which the cowboys sometimes helped build. Concert guitars, mouth harps, fiddlers, recitations, spell downs, provided the entertainment. The school teachers walked up to four miles to school. They taught eight grades, had to clean the school, provide the necessary fuel as well. Desks were shabily carved with knives. The children furnished their own books, which no two were likely similiar. Students who had no books were given lessons on a slate. The children wore ragged torn cloths as most came from poverty stricken homes. The teachers boarded with the homesteaders. In times of drought or other hardships, the meals consisted of a number of ways to prepare turnips. These turnips freezing in their lunch box as they walked to school.

Shoes were never worn at home by even the adults. Shoes saved for going and winter.

Oil soaked rags furnished light to complete the house chores before retiring for the night.

If one traveled they could readily find shelter as well as food with ranches ar fellow settlers.

Drought; A growing sick at heart with hope deferred. No crops are raised. What with little winter feed, cattle must be sold for any small amount. Due to the windmill, some turnips, corn and beans are grown as it gave them some water. Horses became so hungry they ate each others manes and tails to ease their gnawing hunger pains. There were those so poor they couldn't leave, as they had nothing to leave with. Others left with teams of horses whose ribs stood out. They were pulling a wagon. The children in the wagon looking even more disdainful then the horses pulling the wagon. The droughts, blizzards, hailstorms, snake bites, cattle stampedes, diphtheria, and malnutrition, big families made the frontier far from paradise. Mothers, when alone faced Indian scares. They hid youngsters under beds.

An example: A mother of seventeen with a six week old baby, fighting prarie fires, worked with men in the fields, gave birth unattended, and kept the home. Poverty seeming only natural.

The river ran bank full spring and summer. Quick sand sould spring up overnight. In 1876 there were no bridges, dams or reservoirs. The only way to cross was to ford the river. This was done at the risk of life and limb. Several parties would cross at the same time, in order to aid each other.

Dances were held in the bigger sod houses. The smaller children were laid in rows on a table or on new mown hay in the barn. As a matter of fact any available spot was used. The dances lasted through the night. All the children came along with their parents. If the cowboys were near they came also. The men far out numbered the women.

Pioneer women-----What was it like for them? Their wants out of necessity were few. With hunger pains eased, warm cloths, enough fuel, they felt life was good indeed. The most bitter precipitate in lifes cup for the pioneer women to endure was her overwhelming sense of loneliness. I am glad she came and stayed aren't you?

Recollections of Henry R. Gompert
On

HOW THE GOMPERT'S CAME TO AMERICA

They lived on a small farm in Germany--7 boys.

Jacob Gompert came from Wesel, Germany in 1887 alone. Working in a bakery, Jacob saw an ad about America and decided to come over. When he landed in Texas he saw someone at the depot unloading milk and thinking he to looked like a German went up to him and said, "Good morning" in German and the man answered him back in German. Later after conversing back and forth, Jacob went to work for him only after being asked if he could milk cows. Having only \$2.00 in his pocket and needing a job, Jacob said "of course I can". In actuality cow milking is only woman's work in Germany. Jacob had never milked a cow before! Jacob worked for the man for some while and having some means to get around he began to stop in a saloon for a beer on his milk trips to the depot. Being tired of his milk "route" he went to work for the man at the saloon.

Some of the brothers came to America, to Nebraska. Jake left Texas for Nebraska, there he met his wife to be, Elizabeth Haubruck. She was a cook at the Old Fort Laramie Army Post. They homesteaded 160 acres (east of Valentine Thomas). Another homesteader, Godfrey Kamann was near by. Seeing that farming was not working they started ranching. Being too close together the Gompert brothers moved further apart. (Jake, John, Gerhardt, Hermann) Jacob moved to Dry Spotted Tail purchasing a few cattle. The other brothers, Gerhardt, John, and their father Johann, and Hermann were trying to dry farm. Gerhardt and Hermann dug a well on their homesteads and were farming close to each other. Later, Hermann started sheep ranching near the Agate road north of Mitchell and later spread out in the McCoy-Garlow area. Gerhardt went to raising cattle. John took a place near what later came to be Morrill. His wife being rather a socialite later sold what they had and bought a hotel in Arkansas. Later they sold that and moved to Waterloo, Iowa where he went into the real estate business.

Father Johann stayed at Jacob's and the other brothers. His first wife had cancer of the jaw and died in Germany before any of the family came to America. Later, Johann became ill, no doctors near, the boys put him on the train to see a doctor in Omaha, Nebraska. He had an infected toe and later died in Omaha. While he lived in western Nebraska, he married Mrs. Jake Gompert's mother, Mrs. Haubruck who stayed with her daughter. Johann was buried in Omaha because there was not enough money to bring him back and it was a long time before they knew that he had passed away. His second wife remained at the daughters home until she died.

Hermann later moved to California. Not out of necessity, other than keeping busy, he hauled cement by wheel barrow for the side-walks.

The first cattle Gerhardt had were six head of heifers where he put them on some bottom land to be fed through the winter.

Gerhardt came with a brother to Nebraska--there the grass looked so tall and looked so good that they decided to stay and farm.

In Germany the Jack-rabbit is a delicacy and when they came here they saw one and decided to shoot one with a musket loader. Having done this they started a prairie fire from the homestead to the river--5 miles.

For housing they used what was at hand. The dugouts--into hard-pan banks. The oldest boy of Gerhardt was born in the dugout. He later built a house out of stone. Later built home out of wood from Alliance. Went to Fort Laramie for wood to be put in the well. He knew his wife to be in Germany, Elizabeth Langenfurth.

They were pretty much the first couple to be married at Gering. The first child was born in the dugout but the rest were born in the stone house except for Carl, he was born in the frame house. Those born in the stone house were Henry, Herman, Jake, John, and Anna. Mrs. Godfrey Kamann and Mrs. Haubruck were midwives at that time

After irrigation had come to the valley Gerhardt sold some cattle to buy more land. After ranching over the years he began farming again. With irrigation in the valley they began irrigating-this was a new experience and they had a time of it. In Germany they had some experience with sugar beets so they started raising them here along with oats, corn, few spuds, and alfalfa.

Henry Gompert scooped beets into wagons then would take them to the Tooley beet dump. There they were piled and later hauled to the factory.

One experience of Henry Gompert is that a teacher at the school he was attending asked him to gather some chips (meaning wood chips) for the fire. He went out and gathered some cow chips and when he brought them in he was made fun of by the teacher and the others. He was so embarrassed he ran home.

In the early days the neighbors and the Gompert's built a rock church up north of Mitchell. A preacher came out once a month to deliver his sermons. This is where Henry Gompert saw his first Christmas tree.



Gerhardt Gompert's Homestead - 1917



Henry and Ella Gompert
Wedding picture Dec. 25, 1913



Henry and Ella Gompert
50th Wedding Anniversary - 1963



Bill Gompert Circa 1927



Jake Gompert - 1917

3b. Johann Gompert Family
Unit 6
John Gompert

6. John Gompert, son of Johann and Maria Gompert, born Spellten, Germany April 15, 1867. Died April 19, 1942, Iowa City, Iowa; married in Gering, Nebr. Nov. 16, 1897 Anna Marie Frederika Emma Schroeder, dau. of Heinerich and Emma Schroeder, born June 6, 1863 at Soltau, Germany, died Feb. 23, 1943 at Waterloo, Iowa. Both buried at Elmwood cemetery, Waterloo, Iowa.
 1. Walter Herman Gerhard Gompert, b. Oct. 9, 1898, Mitchell, Nebr. (Sunflower) m. at Vinton, Iowa, Oct. 16, 1921, June Wood, adopted dau. of Harland Case Wood and Lois Fern (Starr) Wood; b. Sept. 16, 1903 at Ellis, Kansas to Eliza Helms and Sarah Catherine (Aldrich) Helms and named Ester Jane Helms before adoption.
 2. Martha Marie Katherine Gompert, b. July 13, 1900, Scottsbluff. Co., Nebr. m. Aug. 7, 1920 Waterloo, Iowa William Dahms, son of Henry C. and Anna Specht Dahms, b. Feb. 16, 1890 Tama Co. Iowa, d. June 8, 1959, Gladbrook, Iowa; buried at Maple Hill cemetery, Gladbrook, Iowa.
 1. Leonard Arthur Dahms, b. Feb. 27, 1922, Waterloo, Iowa. m. July 6, 1952 Gladbrook, Iowa Dorene Mae Allard, dau. of Chester and Hilda Allard; b. Feb 1, 1926 Gladbrook, Iowa.
 1. David William Dahms, b. June 6, 1957 Ceder Rapids, Iowa.
 2. Richard Leonard Dahms, b. July 25, 1960 Ceder Rapids, Ia.

FAMILY GROUP No. _____ Husband's Full Name David William Dahms

This Information Obtained From:	Husband's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
	Birth	6	6	1957	Ceder Rapids		Iowa	
	Chr'nd							
	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

Places of Residence			
Occupation	Church Affiliation	Military Rec.	
Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.			
His Father Leonard A. Dahms		Mother's Maiden Name Dorene M. Attard	

Wife's Full Maiden Name							
Wife's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Birth							
Chr'nd							
Death							
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Compiler	Places of Residence	
Address	Occupation if other than Housewife	Church Affiliation
City, State	Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.	
Date	Her Father	Mother's Maiden Name

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
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Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Death							
	Burial							

FAMILY GROUP No.		Husband's Full Name		Richard Leonard Dahms	
This Information Obtained From:		Husband's Date	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc. State or Country Add. Info. on Husband
		Birth	25 7 1960	Ceder Rapids	Iowa
		Chr'nd			
		Mar.			
		Death			
		Burial			
		Places of Residence			
		Occupation	Church Affiliation	Military Rec.	
		Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.			
		His Father	Leonard A. Dahms	Mother's Maiden Name	Dorene M. Allard
		Wife's Full Maiden Name			
		Wife's Date	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc. State or Country Add. Info. on Wife
		Birth			
		Chr'nd			
		Death			
		Burial			
Compiler		Places of Residence			
Address		Occupation if other than Housewife		Church Affiliation	
City, State		Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.			
Date		Her Father		Mother's Maiden Name	
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Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.				
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2	Birth				
Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.				
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3	Birth				
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**John Gompert
Martha Dahms and
Walter's father**



**Mr. and Mrs. John Gompert
with Walter Gompert
1898 near Morrill**

Minatare, 15th November 1888

My Dear Brother Gerhard!

Since we left practically three months ago and are thousands and thousands of miles away from you, I feel compelled dear brother to write you. I hope you have heard from brother Heinrich and Wilhelm about our ocean trip and our journey to Texas. We left Texas because it was too warm there. And then there was not much to do for a farmer since the main products were corn and cotton. All the other junk did not have much worth for a farmer. But here, in comparison we have wonderful weather, always nice clear and clean air. I have never felt better or healthier than here.

As I saw with my own eyes, every imaginable fruit--even fruits we never knew in Germany grow here. For example, sugarcane, sugar-melon, watermelon, pumpkin weighing 50 pounds, corn that is 7 feet high. The pumpkin are planted between the corn and are used as hog feed. They make syrup from the sugar-melon, and press syrup out of the sugar cane. The residue is used as cattle feed. The cattle are of a better breed here than in Texas--more like the breed in Holland and are priced in the range of \$30-40 but in Texas the best cow with calf could be bought for \$10-12. The horses are considerably better here, but also more costly. For \$150-200 one can buy a good horse here. In Texas they cost \$50-100. All sort of grain grows here real quickly and becomes unbelievably large. The grapes get as large as the wolf cherries do in Germany.

Last week, Friday the 9th we went to Landbrille and each of us took 160 acres of land twice.

A PREMCHÉ (I think this means option) and a timber plot. Under this option is a law that one has to build a house within 3 months and has to live in it now and then. The condition of the house is immaterial. Within 33 months one has to pay \$200 for the piece of land. After one has that paid off he can let it lay or do what he wants with it. When the 33 months are over and one would rather keep the \$200, then a Homestead can be made of it, but then one has to live on it 5 years, then it will only cost \$14.

The timber law is nothing more than that one has to plant 10 acres of timber within 5 years. These 160 acres also cost only \$14 but this is for the recording of the deed. If one takes an option first then he can also get a homestead besides. Every person who is of age can also apply three times for 160 acres of land for \$230.

Dear Gerhard! You have no doubt read from father's letter that he sent to Hulsdonk that here in this neighborhood a good acre can be bought. It is 292 gr. Morgan Grose (this is a Prussian measure-- $2\frac{1}{2}$ acres is 1 hectar or $2\frac{1}{2} \times 75$ which is 187.5) and it is entirely fenced with 4 strings of barb wire. Big stone houses are on it but one never sees stone houses in this immediate neighborhood. Farm machinery etc. and household equipment go with it so nothing more needs to be bought. There are four young horses, 40 head heavy cattle, hogs, chickens, ducks, turkeys, geese, and similar things for \$4000. Now you must not think that the ground is figured in this price because you get this for nothing like the others, but it is mostly meadow and lays along the North Platte river which is as wide as the Rhine, but not navigable. The wild ducks and geese fly around here by the thousands, and one can shoot as many as one wants.

If our mother plans to come this spring father will buy this for you. He has an option on it till May, but there is greater haste if you should come in March. Dear Gerhard, when you come you or brother Hermann will have to wait until she is ready for the trip, than she cannot get along alone because it takes a bit of energy and courage to come.

Yesterday, Gottfried Kamman got a letter from Germany inquiring if any were here and had taken land. Before these there are 10 others who wanted to come last February or the beginning of March and wanted to make their home here. Dear Gerhard, it would be best if you could wait till she is ready. Dad has seen to it that you could also get as much land as I and the other brothers. Therefore, dear brother, go to Hulsdonk and ask if they are coming or not. Dad can't behave himself alone here but his conscience bothers him but it is too hard for him to be separated from his wife and live without her even though he realizes that there are many opportunities here. He left with the intention that she would soon follow. Therefore, Dear Gerhard take the trouble, else I believe father will not stay in America but _____. Brother Jacob is still in San Antonio. He will come here this spring. We have temporarily moved into a neighbor's house. The owner moved east to his parents and will not return till April.

At present we are digging a potato cellar. This Spring in March we will build a house. The field work starts the last half of April. If mother should come, let her travel 2nd class on the ship. Lower deck is too hard for an already weakened person. It will perhaps cost 100 Mark more, but this will double itself 10 times here. When you come, take a ticket from Bremen to Alliance, Nebraska. Your best and quickest route is via New York, and you can also exchange your money there. Think on the Hagapfel (I do not know what these are but I think they are the seeds of wild roses) and bring a shovel and a spade along. They are not to be had here. Secure your trunks with an iron band because on the American train everything will be broken. When you go to Lohren bring that shotgun that was taken there. It can be very useful here because the geese run around here just like sheep and are about as big as sheep. But let a new firing pin be put on it, but not the biggest. I have been hunting a few times but here we don't walk but ride.

Dear Gerhard, here one can say in all truthfulness "A free life live we here" etc.. You could bring a few pounds of clover and grass seed because they are not known here. And then provide a big knapsack for your trip. One cannot live off the meals on the ship. When one is seasick he does not get anything more. Bring a pound ground coffee, a dark bread, a large piece of ham, a pound of sugar, and a liter of real corn whiskey per person would not hurt anything either. At the request of Mr. Gottfried Kamman you shall greet one Mina Bremer in Sahlhof, and you can bring Gretchen along too, because the American girls don't amount to much. All they know is to play the piano, go walking or riding, and bake sweets.

Now I will close in hopes of receiving a quick answer. You have to state the exact date on which you leave so we can meet you in Alliance. That is 50 miles from here. This summer the train track will be built further and will go real close to the option by Wiomink (Wyoming) where the coal, copper, and silver is mined, and the talk is that a whole German town will be built here.

Our nearest town is one hour from here along the river. The carpenters and masons play a good role here. There are practically no foreflushers here. Earnings are from \$3-4 per day. Brother Wilhelm and Hermann could start a good business here and also get a Homestead of 160 acres, and one does not need to fertilize the ground here. This should give you all and also brother _____ fresh incentive. He could find it more splendid here than in Germany where one has to be afraid that he has to live with one foot in jail if he makes the wrong move.

You can copy this letter and send it to Lohren and Spellen. Dear Gerhard, you will have to excuse me because I wrote this in pencil. I noticed that the next store is 3 miles from here where this can be mailed.

Many greetings to the other brothers, relation and to our home in Hulsdonk.
Please write at once if you are coming or not. Jacob and dad greet
you. Let this letter be read in Hulsdonk in case the other one got lost.

Brother Johann and Dad

P.S. If you want to, bring a pound of big beans and tame pig weed along.
This is not to be had in America. Again, Greetings

The Address is Mr. John Gompert
Minatare, Cheyenne County
Nebraska
North America



William Dahms



David, Martha, and Richard Dahms - 1980's



Walter and June Gompert - 1975



Dorene and Leonard Dahms

San Antonio, Texas
October 17, 1888

Dear Brother-in-law and others:

Finally we succeeded in arriving at _____ on October 5, 12 o'clock at night. We started September 14, 1888 5 o'clock in the morning from "Mors" and arrived at 5 o'clock P.M. in Bremen. There, we were greeted by a Porter from Hotel Voger. We stayed there for two nights and arranged everything with agent "Hortman". Bremen is a wonderful, beautiful city and located about 8 german miles from Bremenhaven. Bremenhaven is a city about like Wesel. Wednesday, the 19th of September we went to Bremenhaven, arrived there at 8 A.M. and were guided to the ship immediately. Till 11 A.M. everybody had his place, and the ship started down the Weser and the next day into the North Sea. On the 21st we passed the British coast, far away we could see the renowned chalk gypsum rocks and many big sea birds. They told us land was nearby, passed the big metropolis London. High on a mountain one could see the Queen's beautiful castle. It was a pity we stopped no place. On the 22nd we passed the French coast into the big Alantic Ocean, nothing to see but sky and water and fish creatures. For instance, we saw big swarms of dolphins, their as big as a pig of 2-300 pounds. We saw some seals too. After that we saw spouts of 3 whales, who sprayed water 15-20 feet in the air. The night from Sunday to Monday we got wind for 3 days. Patiently, we had to take it all, and had to look at the little ship (350 feet long and 50 feet wide and 25 feet deep, 24 feet high) playing with the 10-15 feet waves elastically. It was a true pleasure being rocked like that. I believe I was not rocked like that in my childhood. On deck you had to hold onto the ropes to stay on board. At night I invented to tie us to our beds so we would not fall on each other. Father did not bother with the sea-sickness, but I took 3 days of it. It causes dizziness and vomiting. There were not 10 men that did not have it, one threw up across the next guy. We had only 450 passengers on the steamer S.S. Main. On the 28th we reached New Foundland--have not seen Jacob's hat anymore--. On the 29th. we crossed the gulf stream and October 1 at 5 A.M. we reached "Kaapp-Heinrich" and at the same time the "Baltimore Canal". To the right and left we saw American forests and cities. 6 P.M. we arrived in Baltimore. Now everything went hurry, hurry, boxes and bags were unloaded last and were checked for usable goods. It was a beautiful view to see all those big steamers and sailboats crossing on the canal like floating majestic castles. Our eyes became bigger yet when we saw the giant city from a distance, but we did not have enough time to go in. At 11 P.M. everything was ready and we went on a train like lightning, faster than a German courier train. We passed through these states--Ney York, Maryland, Virginia, Indiana, Ohio, Illinois, Missouri, Kansas, Indian Territories. During the night from 4-5 October, we went through the state of Texas and rode till 12 P.M. till we got there. Overnight we stayed in a German Hotel and the next morning we looked up Jacob. He was not at Herrles to be found, but to make \$5 more he went to another baker, now he makes \$30 per month plus everything free.

They are good people and we are still there now. Here in America they don't think nothing of keeping a family for a week or so. This forenoon we visited Mr. Fendick, he served Texas red wine and a few bottles of beer which hit the spot. When we left we had to promise him to come back the next morning to talk better about land and farming, if one rents a farm with livestock, horses, inventory, and all, it is for half the crop. Close to town one acre costs already 12-30 dollars. If there are more homesteads available here (160 acres for \$15) and all the ropes break, we will go to Nebraska this fall. It is easy to get there from here. Besides, the ground

here can't be improved. There is no fertilizing with any crop. One can see lots of plants we never thought of in Germany, nevertheless seen them. Figs are ripe for the third time, fresh vegetables like beans, peas, lettuce for the second time. Potatoes are harvested at Christmas. It is hard to describe everything, it really is a new world. The city of San Antonio has already a population of 49,000 mostly German, English is heard very little. There are street cars, electric lighting and many modern things more practical than in Germany. Last night we went with Jacob and Mr. Fendick to a German theater, with all German fashion and manner. To walk is not the custom here, like over there, even every worker has a horse and rides to work, ties it to a tree, and gives it a pile of corn, and takes it back at night, even if he only has to walk 10 minutes, or the women take him to work and gets him again. The women and girls ride or drive without company through town and crowds like men. Little 5-6 year old kids ride like Prussian calvary men. In short, walking is not the fashion, not even if it is for 5 minutes.

Note: This letter is from John who was writing relatives in Germany. It was translated by Werner Prautzsch June 20, 1966. The ship traveled about 220-300 miles per day.

Affidavit to Heirs
State of Iowa
County Clerk Of Black Hawk:

John Gompert Jr. Of Black Hawk County, State of Iowa, of lawful age being duly sworn upon his oath desposes and says:

That he was well acquainted with Johann Gompert, Otherwise known as John Gompert, Sr. during his lifetime to whom the United States of America on the 10th day of April 1899 issued homestead patent to the W½ of NE¼ of Section 26, Township 24, North of Range 56, West of the 6th principal meridian and other lands in Sioux County, State of Nebraska--which said patent was on the 18th of March, 1909 duly recorded in the Office of the County Clerk of Sioux County, Nebraska and duly recorded in Book 1 at page 299 of the record of said county that on the 31st day of March A.D., 1900 the said Johann Gompert, otherwise John Gompert Sr., departed this life interstate at Omaha, State of Nebraska.

That Gertrude Gompert, widow; Katherine Fink (formerly Katherine Gompert) and John Fink, her husband; Gertrude Gompert, single; Marie Helen Gompert, single; Wilhelm Gompert, single; Herman Gompert and Marie Gompert, his wife; Jacob Gompert and Elizabeth Gompert, his wife; Gerhardt Gompert and Elizabeth Gompert, his wife; named as grantors in a certain Quit-Claim Deed dated February 6, 1918. Quit claiming and conveying the above described lands to John Gompert and which said deed was on the 4th day of March, 1918 duly recorded in book N at page 564 of the records of Sioux County, Nebraska--together with John Gompert and sometimes referred to John Gompert Sr. are and were the only heirs at law of the said Johann Gompert, otherwise John Gompert Sr., deceased that the state of said Johann Gompert, otherwise John Gompert Sr., deceased has never been probated but that all the debts, expenses, and obligations of every kind and nature of said deceased have been fully paid and discharged and that each and all of said heirs, at time of the execution of the above mentioned Quit-Claim-Deed were adults.

In Further Affiants Sayth Not.

John Gompert, Jr.

Subscribed in my presence and sworn to me this 25th day of June A.D. 1918

George J. Sager
Notary Public

E. R. Cherry
County Clerk

Note: Taken from the Miscellaneous Index, Souix County records at Harrison, Nebraska. John Gompert Jr. to the Public May 9, 1919

Personal History

I, Martha Gompert Dahms was born July 13, 1900 in Scottsbluff County, in Western Nebraska to John and Anna Schroeder Gompert. At the age of three my family moved to De Witt, Arkansas where we lived on a farm for about four years. Here I started to school. My parents sold this farm and moved to Nashua, Iowa where they bought and operated the De Noilles Hotel. After a few years we moved to Waterloo, Iowa.

Here I attended Grade school, High School, and Gates Business College.

I was employed in the Purchasing Department of the William Galloway Co. where I met William Dahms who was superintendent of the Galloway Tractor Works. After leaving the Galloway Co. I worked for the Cuban Cane Molasses Co. in Waterloo.

On July 13, 1920, I received my diamond from William Dahms, and we were married on August 7, 1920 at the home of my parents. Our first home was in Waterloo, but in March 1921, we moved to Finchford, a small village near Janesville, Iowa where we farmed for eleven years. Our only child, Leonard, was born on February 27, 1922 while we lived there. He started his schooling in Finchford.

On March 1, 1932 we moved to Gladbrook where I still live, for this was William's home town and he operated a repair shop here and I worked in the telephone office as switchboard operator for seventeen years. I also worked at the Ration Board during the 2nd War. Our son, Leonard, married Dorene Allard who lived next door to us on July 6, 1952. They have two sons, David William, Born June 6, 1957 and Richard Leonard, born July 25, 1960.

I am a past president of the Community Woman's Club, the American Legion Auxiliary, the Iowa Blacksmith's Auxiliary, the Social Bunch, and a past matron of the Order of the Eastern Star. I taught Sunday School for some twenty years and am a member of the Peace United Church of Christ.

My hobbies are gardening, knitting, and oil painting.

My hope and prayer for future generations is that they will live close to God, believe that Jesus redeemed them, and express their love to their fellow men by acts of kindness, and verbally let the members of their family know that they are loved and appreciated.

Martha Marie K. Dahms

Dear Kin Folks:

Here are a few incidents as I remember them of early Nebraska Days. I am not much of a writer However if you wish to include any of them, OK.

Walter H. Gompert
1755 Cornwall Ave.
Waterloo, Iowa

MY BOYHOOD RECOLLECTIONS

I was born in 1898 in a sodhouse on the Nebraska-Wyoming line, known at that time as Sunflower, Nebraska. My parents were John and Anna Schroeder Gompert. I remember the sod house, later my folks built some other buildings and when the surveyors came that way, they found dad had built his house in Nebraska and his barn in Wyoming. Seems the oldtimers were a bit careless in those days. I recall the howling coyotes, the cold winters and I will always remember cousin Mary Gompert (Mrs. Clyde Johnson) who lived with us during the school months. At bed time Mary would make my sister Martha and I say our prayers and then bed us down in a deep feather bed. She would then blow out the kerosene lamp and jump in bed with us and we all tried to warm our feet on one another - did we ever have fun. In those days we burned Nebraska coal, -(the old-timers called them cow-chips) and I remember helping gather cow coal in the fall and stacking them close to the house for winter's use. We did not keep fire at night (fuel shortage) and in the morning, the water pail would be frozen over. We had a square pan that we kept the knives and forks in and when breakfast was started the pan was set on the stove top to take the frost out of the knives and forks so we could eat breakfast. Buckwheat cakes, salt pork, eggs, Hot oatmeal with raisins, breakfast in those days would stick to your ribs! I notice now days a lot of young punks come to work without eating any breakfast. The poor wife is so tired from sitting in the bowling alley all nite, she can't get up and make breakfast. So the poor boys head for the coffee machine and get a cup of hot water and a hand full of peanuts out of the peanut machine, and then finish off by sucking on a cigarette. These poor kids don't get the right kind of food now days. It's no wonder they look like sick oysters.

I remember we later moved close to a railroad and my sister and I would stand along the tracks and watch the trains go by. The passengers used to throw out fruit, magazines, and papers and I especially remember the comic section Buster Brown, Happy Holigan, Gloomy Gus, Etc.. Here are some entries from an old ledger that belonged to my folks. Perhaps the reader would like to compare prices.

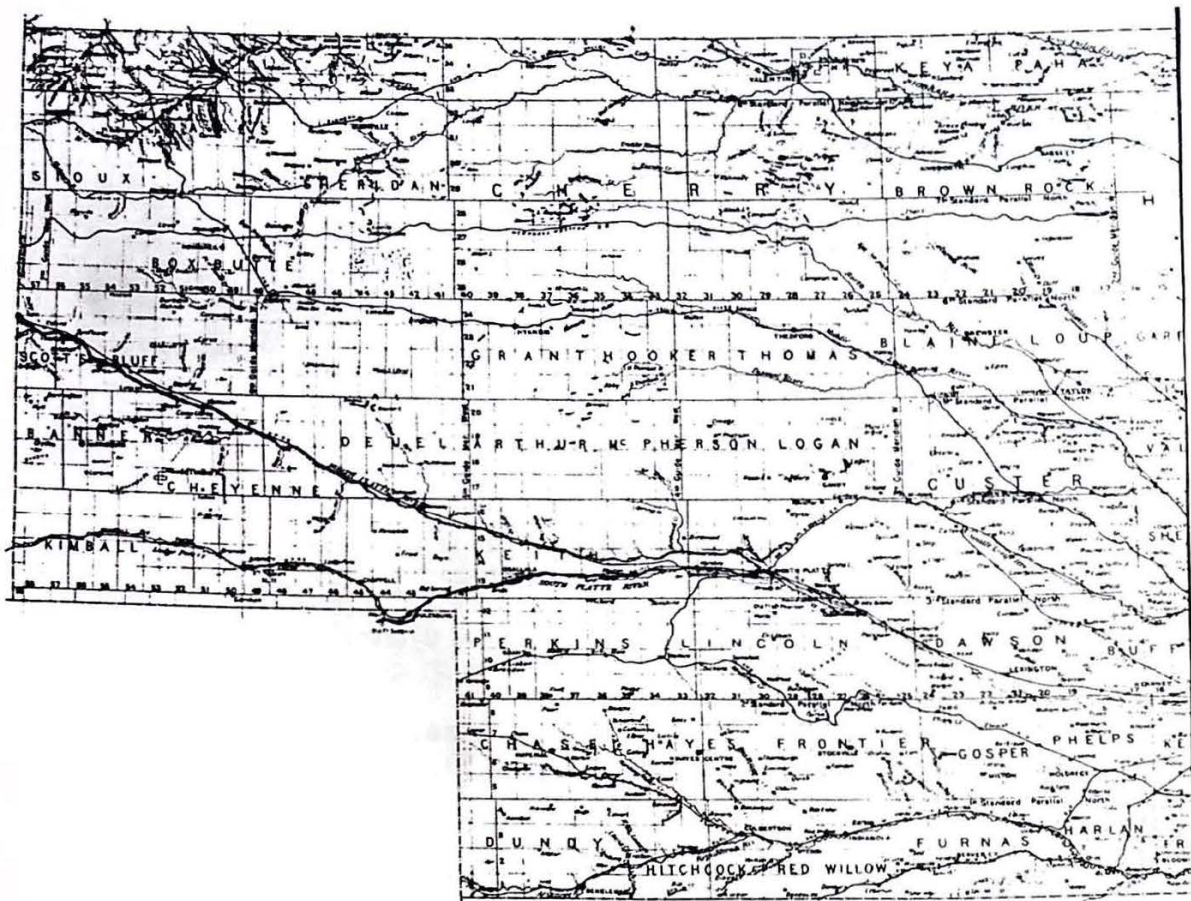
Melody auto harp, \$5.50 (a stringed muscial instrument)
Montgomery Ward sewing machine-5 drawer \$19.50
Family cobbler and harness mender \$3.25
Montgomery Ward A 736 solid oak rocker, sole leather seat \$1.90
Columbus special buggy \$47.64 whip 50¢
Farm wagon \$44.00 Wire streacher \$1.30
Wash tub \$1.25 Wash board 60¢ Fur coat \$13.00
Grasshopper catcher \$10.00 Rain slicker \$1.00
Haus Und Bauernfreund (German Agricultural Weekly) \$1.00 per Year
Nebraska Farmer (published weekly at Omaha) subscription \$1.00 per Yr.

This about covers my recollections as a boy in Nebraska, we moved to Arkansas and from there back to Iowa where I now reside.

I just remembered a couple other incidents. One time an Indian family stopped at our house for dinner and I started to cry. My mother said stop

crying "Walter" those Indians won't hurt you, do not be afraid of them. My reply was-- I am not afraid of the Indians, I just don't want them to eat all of the corn starch pudding with jelly on top. Was quite a treat.

Believe it or Not. We had a deep freeze in the old days. It consisted of a barrel with a flour sack cover on top. In those days you could go out in the deep snow with a club and get yourself some cottontail rabbits. They were skinned right away and in a short time would freeze. They were placed in a barrel and if you wanted a change from mutton all you had to do is get yourself some rabbit. One cold night mother went out to get some rabbit and found a young coyote in the barrel looking for a free meal. She came back in the house and got old Shep. Old Shep took after the coyote, he returned home soon afterwards but he was pretty well mauled up.



1890 Map of Nebraska

NATURALIZATION PAPERS

Johann Sr.	Declaration of Intention..... Naturalization Record. Vol. 1 pp. 91 Final paper. Taken out in Box Butte County Certificate of Citizenship. October 3, 1898
John	Declaration of Intention. Vol. 1 pp. 82 Naturalization Record. Vol. 1 pp. 82 October 8, 1897 Final paper. Same Vol. taken out in Box Butte County Certificate of Citizenship. October 8, 1897
Hermann	Declaration of Intention Apr. 12, 1889 @ 5 P.M. (#5 in Vol. 1) Naturalization Record. Vol. 1 pp.121 Final paper. Cheyenne County Certificate of Citizenship. September 27, 1902
Jacob	Declaration of Intention. October 27, 1888 San Antonio, Texas Naturalization Record. Vol. 1 pp.106 Final paper..... Certificate of Citizenship. April 26, 1900
Gerhardt	Declaration of Intention. Apr. 12, 1889 @ 5 P.M. (#4 in Vol. 1) Naturalization Record. Vol. 1 pp. 72 Final paper..... Certificate of Citizenship. May 5, 1896
Elizabeth Haubruck	Declaration of Intention. Aug. 30, 1892 @ 2 P.M. Naturalization Record. Vol. 1 pp. 48 Final paper. April 26, 1900 Scotts Bluff County Certificate of Citizenship. April 26, 1900 (book has original)
Gertrude Gompert	Declaration of Intention. October 15, 1901 @ 10 A.M. Naturalization record. Vol. 1 pp. 117 Final paper..... Certificate of Citizenship.....-
Gerhardt Haubruck	Declaration of Intention. August 15, 1891 @ 3 P.M. Naturalization record. Vol. 1 pp. Final paper. October 4, 1898 Certificate of Citizenship.....
Valentine Thomas	Declaration of Intention. August 22, 1887 Naturalization record. Vol. 1 Final paper. Certificate of Citizenship. March 16, 1892

Each of these were found in the Scotts Bluff County Court house and the Clerk of the District Court has custody over them.

The following is an article that was published in Nebraska Western College's paper "The Spectator" November 7, 1977 concerning the Dutch Flats Birthday Club.

A SIXTY-TWO YEAR BIRTHDAY PARTY

Women have always wanted a time for relaxation and have a need for meeting and visiting with other women. This was certainly true in 1915, when a few women of the Dutch Flats community north of Mitchell met together and decided to organize a "club".

At first the ladies called the newly formed group the "Ladies Aid". Later, as there were then thirteen members, the name "Bakers Dozen" was considered. But since each member was to be honored on her birthday, it was decided to call the organization, the "Dutch Flats Birthday Club". This gave recognition to the birthday observances and to area. This name has been used since that time.

The charter members were: Mrs. John Parton, who acted as president, Mrs. B.F. Gilbert, Mrs. Otto Ohme, Mrs. Jake Gompert, Mrs. Andrew Kilstrup, Mrs. Henry Gompert, Mrs. Frank Thomas, Mrs. George Holland, Mrs. Lee Welsh, Mrs. W. Davison, Mrs. Ted Smith, Mrs. B.M. Gilbert, and Mrs. Wright Hamilton.

The attendance grew rapidly and the story is told that one member had to move the furniture outside of the house on club day so that her small home could accommodate the guests. To keep the club from future expansion, it was decided to limit the membership to those ladies living within a designated small area. Sometime later it seemed advisable to limit the membership to twenty.

Yearbooks were first made in 1921. These books reveal that many rules and traditions have been carried down through the years. There were Secret Pals, and then as now, roll calls were given at meetings. The year-books also tell of the activities of the club. There have been flower shows, helping a neighbor celebrate a special anniversary, taking in dinners at times of sorrow, contributing to many worthwhile causes, winning first prize for a float at the Scotts Bluff County Fair parade, and assisting with the bi-centennial activities.

In 1965, the 50th anniversary of the club was celebrated at the Federated Church in Mitchell. Two honorary members. Mrs. Otto Ohme and Mrs. Henry Gompert were present. It was noted that up to this date, there had been 114 ladies who had been members.

Interest has remained constant with many present members being descendents of early families of the community. The value placed on participation is shown by the fact that there are five mother-daughter or mother-daughter-in-law relationships in the present membership. To further interest, a record of winners and losers in attendance is kept each year. The losers entertain the winners at a special party at the close of the club year. Regular attendance is so high that to miss more than three meetings puts one in danger of being a loser.

Besides the regularly scheduled meetings, today, members look forward to the annual events of a Guest Day tea or luncheon, the Steak Fry, the Family Picnic, Men's Night, and a Christmas Tea and program.

This club, started 62 years ago, began in the hard times of that era, and when neighbors were far apart. Those conditions have changed but the desire for friendship and neighbors has not changed. The By-laws and

organization of the Dutch Flats Birthday Club may seem unusual for a women's organization, but to each member, it is more than the usual--the warmth, concern, and friendship that members have for each other give it special value.

In 1915, Mrs. Frank Thomas wrote, "on club days, which were once every two weeks, I always looked forward to a couple of hours of recreation and meeting our neighbors and passing along good cheer, and sympathy to the sick and sorrowing." Those words would well be said today.

Honorary members are Nellie Flock, Florence Gompert, and Mary Snook.

The officers for 1977 are: President, Mary Coleman; Vice-president, Pat Kinghorn; Secretary-treasure, Dorthy Hartz; Assistant Secretary-treasure, Alberta Thomas; News reporter, Dorthy Thomas; Assistant News reporter, Mae Dwigans.

Compiled by Marilyn Gompert and Mayrene Gompert

----Other interesting items from the Club are as follows:----

Secretary books from 1921 and the following years have been saved through the years. By-laws of the Birthday Club for 1921 were:

Meet every two weeks, preferably on Thursdays

Members to pay \$2.10 in advance

Visitors to pay 10¢ each, added to sunshine collection. Purpose of sunshine box was to buy fruit for sick members or their family.

A committee of three is appointed to look up the sick.

Members call one another by their given names, even tho member be absent. Each one not observing this rule is to pay a fine of 1¢.

Pres. or Sec. appoints someone each time to keep account of mistakes.

An entertainment committee of three is appointed to each meeting to be ready for the next.

We are not to serve more than 3 articles of food and a drink, nor less than 2 articles and a drink.

Those not serving after having joined forfeit their dues.

Each officer, serves only one year.

It is very interesting to read the minutes of the early years. Here is a sample of the minutes written at that time:

September 8, 1921

Club met at home of Lela Thomas with 14 members present. Bess Darow, Lillian Smith, Bertha Perkins, Mary Kilstrup, Mary Casson, Camilla Darby, and Anna Gompert were not present. The minutes of the previous meeting were read, after which we discussed the proposition to study up on government and political affairs. It was finally decided by vote that we should do so. The Pres. then appointed a committee of three, Anna Darow, Maude Ohme, and Bertha Perkins to prepare an outline of study for our next meeting. Also voted to retain our present method of furnishing entertainment, so we can mix the light and heavy brain-foods. Those appointed to entertain at the next meeting were, Emma Thomas, Lela Thomas, Bertha Perkins and Ella Gompert. For this meeting Maude Ohme had us each try while blindfolded to draw the picture of a donkey. The results were very amusing. Nellie Flock drew booby prize, while Mary Keebaugh got first prize. In the

second stunt Myrtle Hamilton had us each guess the number of petals on a flower. No one guessed the number correctly, but several came with-in one of the correct number. Ella Gompert gave out a list of fifty words to spell. Mabelle Stewart missed one and received a prize of a handkerchief. Maude Ohme had only 4 spelled correctly and was given a consolation prize of a package of hair-pins. Lunch consisted of sandwiches, pickles, 2 kinds of cake, ice cream and coffee. Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Printz, Mrs. Steiner, Mrs. Ohme, Mrs. Hathaway and Mary Keebough were guests of the club. Our next meeting will be with Ida Derby on Sept. 29. She asked Maybelle to buy her a present for her. Visitors dues paid in 50 ¢, which with 13¢ fine money makes \$5.13 now in the sunshine box. Since paid Elizabeth Gompert 50¢ with which to purchase fruit for Angeline Kuhle, which leaves \$4.63.

Mabelle Stewart, sec-tres.

In April 27, 1922 the club voted to limit enrollment to 24 members. At this time they also voted membership to within a certain territory. Quote, "Voted that none shall be asked to join club west of the east side of west road or east of the east side of east road or north of Government ditch of south of Tri-State.

A birthday gift for each member was purchased for \$2.00 and presented at the meetings.

April 12, 1923 it was decided to pay a penny for each year of their age in the sunshine box. They still did it in 1965.

At this time a member could join at any time of the year by paying her dues. Now you join at the beginning of the club year.

In 1925 a white elephant sale was held the last meeting of the month. This was also the first year a year book was made. There were no dues but paid \$1.00 to flower and fruit Fund. The boundary lines were extended $\frac{1}{2}$ mile east and $\frac{1}{2}$ mile west of their original boundary. An editor was chosen for two months to have own club paper. Clever titles were used such as Birthday Club Buzz by Mrs. Sam Perkins and Mrs. Nellie Flock called it Dutch Flats Bunder. Project work was carried in the club at this time with leaders chosen for each lesson. A home nursing course was taken with the project work.

The first attendance contest started in 1925 with Mrs. Fred Young and Mrs. Wilber Garlow as captains. In the year 1936-37 the attendance contest was changed to the same method as is being used now. Usually the losers entertain the winners on April Fool's Day and fun was had by all.

Mrs. Ida Derby was the first honorary member. Voted in April 15, 1926. A by-law stated any member becoming 65 years of age has the privilege of being an honorary member was adopted in 1943-44.

September 20, 1927 a flower show was held by the club. Mrs. Loibl received first for largest variety, Mrs. Kent first for finest gladiolus, Mrs. Camben first on Asters and Marigolds, and Mrs. Perkins first on finest Zinnias.

September 30, 1930 Mrs. Loibl gave the club a wooden mallet to call meetings to order and to quiet busy visitors. (it's still in the clubs suit case filled with other records) On August 11, 1930 the club went to Gurnsey for their annual summer picnic.

In 1930-31 the club displayed an agriculture booth at the county fair.

1934 the club decided to have unknown friends to present birthday and anniversary gifts just as they still do today.

In 1936 Mr. and Mrs. C.W. Derby celebrated their 63rd wedding anniv.

Many varied and interesting meetings were held through the years such as:

1939 the club met at Mitchell Pass for the annual steak fry

1943 a hard time party was held a Helen Jenkins home.

1944 mothers were brought as guests to the home of Mrs. Bertha Perkins. Each was presented a carnation favor.

1948 a school day party was held April 2, 1948 to entertain winners of attendance contest by the losers.

January 24, 1952 Carol Pottorf presented an organ recital to the club in her home. Every one asked to hear their favorite song.

1960 Mrs. Howard Parberry compiled and presented a history of the club to the club.

June 24, 1965 the 50th anniversary of the club was held.

Now into the 1980's the club is still going strong and still adhering to the fine qualities the founders decided to have instilled into their organization. If a person wants a closer look at this club, they have a suit case filled with early records of this club including news paper clippings and pictures. All of the information above was found in this archive .



Group picture of Dutch Flats Birthday Club
Mid 1920's

PIONEERING ON THE DUTCH FLATS

Frank and my brother Otto Ohme came up to this part of the country about January 1908 to look it over, having heard so much about it Otto with intention of locating here if suited, while here they both came so enthused about it that they had all plans made to move out the following March.

It was all so sudden that I was pretty much dissappointed at leaving our old home, relatives, and friends. We landed here March 10, 1908. The men, stock, and machinery came from Ansley, Nebraska and were two days getting through to Mitchell. Maude and I and the children came on the Burlington passenger, the first thing the children did when they landed was to fill their pockets with rocks and stones as they were not used to seeing so many and they looked rather dissappointed since they could not take them all.

We then got rooms at the Tunson Resturant. My room was over the office and no rugs on the floor. With my four youngsters ages ranging from two to seven you can imagine what a time I had trying to keep them quiet. Confined this way for two weeks waiting for the men to get our shacks ready, at that it seemed ages as all good and bad experience came to an end. So one fine day Frank drove in with lumber then we all climbed on top of it and started for the homestead. We got about half way home and one of those cold winds came up and we were nearly frozen and we had to stop at the first little shack to get warm and borrow some blankets. Mr. Chesterman lived there.

When we warmed up we started on our way to what would be our Homestead home, our house was 12 x 14 with a 8 x 12 lean to on it. The farm consisted of 80 acres, cattle were grazing all around us since everything was still prairie. We lived in our little shack for 5 years. Putting up with a lot of handicaps and inconveniences trying to decide whether we should try to stay here but it was really not beggers choice, we could not get away if we wanted to without a great sacrifice. We tried to sell for what we had in it but could not. There were so many handicaps to discourage us, and the old stock men and old timers told us it would be impossible to make a living on 80 acres and we would find ourselves sooner or later moving out.

1908 was the first year water was turned into the Pathfinder Canal and ditches. All of us being so unexperienced and then one ditch rider would come along and turn a head of water and another would come along and shut it off. We did not raise enough crop to hardly pay to harvest it and to make matters worse the ditch being new, did not carry much water. This brought on many controversies with the reclamation officials, and water payments had to be deferred many times thus making it possible to stay on.

The school problem was another serious matter, our nearest school was in Dry Spotted Tail Community, about three miles distant. Two of our children were of school age, I would have to take them to and from school each day. I took them with team and buggy. Start at 8 and get back home about 10 and start after them again at 3 and be home at 5 pm.. It finally became impossible for me to take them and I began giving them their lessons at home.

It became apparent that something had to be done so petitions were circulated to divide the school district which was accomplished, then the people of the new district ran up against another crises, we were bonded

to the old district and could not bond ourselves again, altho, at this we were not dismayed, we were all so determined that we would have a school. Later we decided to build one by donation, the married men donated \$25 and 10 days work and the bachelors \$15 and 5 days work, the bachelors came through in good shape. The ladies saw to it that they were invited out to dinners which they enjoyed. This is another test of how a man can be persuaded through his stomach, or they may have had other dreams of how they might profit by it in the future. Most of them got married and had children to send to the school that they helped to build. The bachelors then living in the district were Charles Anderson, Sid Davis, Wright Hamilton, Jack Cooper, and Fred Young, Frank Becker, John Cherry. Those having families of school age were Otto Ohme, John Parton, Fred Reinhardt, Bruce Hill, Charles Gilliland, Lennard Stafford, Ed Trout, Timer Schaver, John Black, George Bowen, Thomas Casson and ourselves. Among these new settlers were carpenters, masons, bricklayers, interior decorators, the only thing we hired made were the window frames, which was the only poor job on the school house.

Another great obstacle especially on the Dutch Flats was to get a good well. Our 80 acres unfortunately had a well on it, which sure was a hoo-doo, it was only 44 feet deep. It was dug by Ed and Lee Williams (expert well driller) costing Mr. Lindall \$1000.00 (the man who Frank bought the Homestead right from) and we put in again as much more and still did not have water, for three years we had to haul water to drink and for stock also, from Valentine Thomas west of us or Gerhard Gompert south of us and from Dry Spotted Tail or Jack Cooper east of us all about 2 miles distant. During irrigation season we could water the stock out of ditches. Many times we would be out of water and the men away working in Mitchell Valley hauling beets trying to make a grubstake, Maude Ohme and I would rig up an outfit, maybe she would have one horse and I could get another one and maybe borrow a harness some where else, load our barrels and bring home a load of water. Finally we solved the water question by making a well outfit. Geo. Clark and Frank got 100 feet of gas pipe, put together with boxings from old wheel scrapers, belonging to the Deadwood Construction Co. and had an auger made at a foundry at Grand Island. When they got the apparatus together, by shear strength they augered this into the ground and each auger load had to be drawn up and emitted. They put this auger down about 100 feet and got a good well that could not be pumped dry. Hence all neighbors found water could be gotten on Dutch Flats.

Before this well was started there were several persons claimed to be water witches, who had all been consulted. They took a green willow forked stick, held tightly within each handholding each branch stalk sticking up and walked around where ever the well would most be convenient, then the stalk began to draw to the ground. They thought that was where the vein of water was. They all worked on our well, however, later every one in the Flats had a good well. There were at least 10 water witches in our neighborhood. They found a boulder about 2 feet in diameter at 79 feet, but they luckily broke it and had a most wonderful well. The digging of this well was watched by all the neighbors.

In spite of the ups and downs there was something fascinating about this Homesteading and developing a new country. Every one moved in about the same time, mostly people of our ages with families of small children, no one carrying any grudges at any one else. I will always cherish the memories of those pioneering days.

I entertained the Ladies Aid, we had parties and surprise parties for amusement, we used to picnic in the Scottsbluff hills and pick choke cherries, sometimes taking two days to make the trip. We had a little church in the neighborhood, the Presbyterians and Methodist had church

every other Sunday. It was finally sold and Mrs. Flock made a home there.

Later our Birthday Club sprang into being founded. Mostly by Mrs. Parton. On Club days which met once every two weeks I always looked forward to for couple hours of recreation and meeting our neighbors, passing along good cheer and sympathy to the sick and sorrowing.

Where one has been an eye witness to the progress of development and having done our bit in making it so there is a certain amount of satisfaction in seeing it, and has been well named "America's Valley of the Nile". Where we used to raise 100 bushels of potatoes per acre, we are not now surprised to hear yeilds as high as 600 bushels, and barley more than a 100 bushels per acre, more than 125 bushels of corn per acre, sugar beets as much as 20 tons per acre, beans 50 to 60 bushels per acre. A good many factories have sprung up in our midst, packing plants, sugar factory, canning factory, potatoe chips and dehydrating plants, cheese factory, creameries, telephone, rural electricity, light and power. The never ending supply of water from the Pathfinder Dam is responsible for the transforming a desert into a land of plenty.

The above was a history written by Mrs. Frank Thomas for her daughter Mrs. Herman Gompert. It can also be found in the records of the Dutch Flats Birthday Club.

3.d Johann Heinrich Gompert Family
Unit 1 (see page 5)
Katherina Gompert

- 3.d Johann Heinrich Gompert, b Aug 12, 1835 Spellen, Ger.
d. Oct. 26, 1889 Spellen, Ger. m. Feb 1, 1872 Gertrude
Juliane Kampen b. Apr. 4, 1849 Spellen d. Apr. 4, 1909
Spellen, Ger. Johann baptized Aug. 23, 1835. (Mechtilde)
1. Katherina Gompert, b. Dec. 4, 1877 d. 1956
m. Johann William Isselhorst b. Feb. 2, 1874
Hamminkein, Ger. d. Nov. 8, 1916 Wesel, Ger. m.
Aug. 23, 1901.
 1. Heinrich Isselhorst, b. Oct. 13, 1902 Spellen
d. 1965 Spellen m. 1927 Helen Ruhl
b. Mar. 29, 1907 Mollen
 1. Johann Isselhorst, b. Sept. 11, 1927 Mollen
m. Aug. 20, 1955 Helga Fengels b. Dec. 28,
1931 Voerde
 1. Elke Isselhorst, b. Jan. 29, 1958
Spellen
 2. Bernd Isselhorst, b. Dec. 31, 1961
Spellen
 2. Gunter Isselhorst, b. May 26, 1930 Hamborn
m. Aug. 29, 1958 Helga Putzek b. Jan. 3,
1935 Ortelsburg-Ostpreussen
 1. Ralf, b. Feb. 1, 1960 Spellen
 2. Arndt, b. Dec. 13, 1962 Spellen
 3. Lutz, b. Mar. 4, 1970 Wesel
 4. Frauke, b. Mar. 22, 1972 Wesel
 3. Horst-Ingolf Isselhorst, b. May 26, 1932
Spellen m. Oct. 26, 1957 Victoria Bartels
b. Jan. 17, 1936 Arnheim, Netherlands
 1. Ingolf, b. Apr. 28, 1959 Voerde
 4. Friedhelm Isselhorst, b. Aug. 13, 1939
Spellen m. July 2, 1970 Anneliese Abel
b. Mar. 23, 1945 Hoxter
 1. Ulrike, b. Nov. 17, 1972 Wesel
 2. Birgit, b. Mar. 30, 1975 Wesel
 2. Wilhelm Isselhorst, b. Oct 19, 1904 Spellen m.
Aug. 26, 1927 Emilie Dub b. Aug. 10, 1904 Bad-Ems
 1. Werner Isselhorst, b. May 10, 1929 Hamborn
m. May 26, 1955 Sigrid Graba b. Feb. 6,
1929 Hamborn

3.d Johann Heinrich Gompert Family
Unit 1
Katherina Gompert

1. Werner Isselhorst, (cont.)

1. Armin Isselhorst, b. Oct 22, 1959
Hamborn
2. Beatrix Isselhorst, b. June 16, 1961
Hamborn; m. August 22, 1981, Duisburg, Ger.
2. Heinz Isselhorst, b. Nov. 16, 1934 Mollen
m. Feb. 5, 1964 Helga Frisch b. Aug. 24,
1942 Komotau New CSSR, No children.
3. Mathilde Isselhorst, b. Mar. 27, 1909 Spellen
m. Dec. 18, 1947 Karl Thone b. Apr. 22, 1904
Wethen d. Mar. 27, 1965 Wethen Mathilde d. Mar.
23, 1979 They had no children.
4. Anna Isselhorst, b. Apr. 19, 1912 Spellen Un-
married and no children.

3.d Johann Heinrich Gompert Family
Unit 2 (see page 5)
Johann Gompert

2. Johann Gompert, b. Dec. 25, 1886 Spellen d. Dec. 26, 1964 Bochum-Werne m. Aug. 14, 1919 Aenne Schmidt in Langendreer, dau. of Wilhelm Schmidt and Ida Wosthoff in Witten-Heven.
 1. Hans Gompert, b. June 19, 1920 d. Jan. 24, 1968 Bochum-Werne
 2. Gerhard Gompert, b. Apr. 19, 1922 d. Feb. 16, 1944 (As a soldier in Aprillia, Italy).
3. Mechtilde Gompert, b. Apr. 25, 1880 d. Sept. 14, 1962 m. Sept. 27, 1912 Jakob Bender b. May 15, 1886 d. July 11, 1929
 1. Alfred Bender, b. Jan. 31, 1914 d. As a pilot officer in the second war in France. m. Anneliese Tuxhorn. No Children.
 2. Hildegard Bender, b. July 3, 1915 m. Arnold Heumann b. Apr. 2, 1910
 1. Gerhard Heumann, b. Mar. 29, 1953
 3. Mathilde Bender, b. May 31, 1917 m. Hans Kuter b. Oct. 21, 1914 No Children
 4. Fritz Bender, b. Sept. 22, 1918 Since Sept. 2, 1944 in the Second war in Italy, no coming home. (soldier
4. Sophie Gompert, b. Mar. 20 1889 d. Jan 29, 1929 Spellen m. Gerhard Mertens b. May 6, 1887 d. Oct. 30 1959
 1. Heinrich Mertens, b. Feb 23, 1911 m. Gertrud Kapp b. Mar. 18, 1915 They had 3 children
 2. Margaret Mertens, b. June 26, 1914 m. At first Bernhard Fest, who has been in 1944 as soldier in Russia, has not come home, second m. Dietrich Granz d. 1971 They had two child.
 3. Mechtilde Mertens, b. Mar. 3, 1917 m. Bernhard Fink b. Mar. 13, 1915 d. 1942 Russia (Stalingrad) They had two children.
 4. Gertrud Mertens, b. Nov. 8, 1918 m. Alfred Heigig b. 1918 d. April 1942 Russia. She then M. Mr. Heiligenhaus b. Nov. 4, 1899 one child.
 5. Willi Mertens, b. July 20, 1920 d. 1932
 6. Elfriede Mertens, b. Feb. 5, 1922 m. Hans Schwarz b. July 24, 1921 d. Feb. 26, 1973 2 children

3.d Johann Gompert Family
Unit 4 cont.-

7. Gerhard Mertens, b. Apr. 23, 1925 m. Feb. 20,
1948 Adelheid Trapp b. Sept. 18, 1934 They
had one child.
8. Johann Mertens, b. Feb 28, 1927 m. Aug. 19,
1954 Inge Langhoff b. June 12, 1935 1 child.
5. Helene Gompert, b. Emmelsum m. Hermann
Able b. d. Apr. 16, 1956 Friedrichsfeld
 1. Mechtilde Abel, b. Dec 18, 1901 m. Heinrich
Heilifenhau b. d. 1 child
 2. Johanna Abel, b. Oct. 16, 1902 Friedrichsfeld
m. Hermann Hovelmann b. d.
 3. Heinrich Abel, b. m. Christine
Payenberg b. d. m. Edith
Werner
 4. Hedwig Abel, b. m. Mr. Knieps
b. d.
 5. Magdalene Abel, b. m.
Friedrich Lohamnn b.
6. Gerhard Gompert, b. Dec. 28, 1878 Unter-Emmelsum
d. Dec. 11, 1965 Spellen Unmarried, no children.
7. Gertrud Gompert, b. Dec. 18, 1873 Unter-Emmelsum
d. Dec. 18, 1912 Spellen Unmarried, no children.
8. Hermann Gompert, b. 1875 Unter-Emmelsum d.
Jan. 19, 1955 Spellen m. Emma Alsmert b.
d. Spellen.
 1. Wilhelm Gompert, b. d. m.dau. Ilse
 2. Paul Gompert, b. June 6, 1907 Spellen d. Nov.
19, 1954 Spellen m. Friedel
They had no children
 3. Sofie Gompert, b. d. Spellen
m. Max Mann b. d. Spellen
9. Heinrich Gompert, b. Mar. 1, 1882 Unter-Emmelsum
d. Oct. 19, 1954 Friedrichsfeld m. Katharine Becker
b. Aug 25, 1882 Holthausen d. May 20, 1953
Friedrichsfeld
 1. Hermann Gompert, b. Apr. 19, 1910 Friedrichsfeld
d. 1945 as soldier m. Erna Schmitz b. 1912
Spellen d. 1952 Spellen No children
 2. Heinrich Gompert, b. Jan. 21, 1913 Friedrichsfeld
m. Nov. 17, 1938 Sophie Unterholz b. June 2,
1913 Hunxe They had 2 children

3.d Johann Heinrich Gompert Family
Unit 9 cont.

2. Heinrich Gompert cont.

1. Irene Gompert, b. July 7, 1940 Bucholtswelmen
Unmarried

2. Karl Heinz Gompert, b. Jan. 7, 1942
Bucholtswelmen m. Dec. 24, 1967 Margot
Schroter b. May 21, 1945

1. Sylvia Gompert, b. Apr. 29, 1968
Bucholtswelmen

3. Mathilde Gompert, b. Oct. 24, 1921 Friedrichsfeld
m. Arthur Kopke, b. July 11,
1921 Tannenberg/Ostpreussen.

1. Karin Kopke, b. May 21, 1950 Dinslaken
m. Harald Willert b. June
24, 1953, Dinslaken

The following is a letter from Karin Kopke who is writing to Mrs. Clyde E. Johnson Sr.. Karin's Great-grandfather, Johann Heinrich Gompert is a brother to our Johann Gompert whom had the four brothers come to America. The letter is written in 1963. Eloise Littlejohn has the original letter.

Fr'feld, 26th November

Dear Mrs. Johnson,

I think you will be very astonished to get a letter from Germany! First I shall tell you how I got your address: I heard of Mummy. her name is Mathilde Gompert, that we have distant relation in America. So I went to Isselhorsts, there was my grandpa born, to get your address. My grandpa was named Heinrich Gompert and my mother accepts that he is a half-brother of the first Mr. Gompert who imigrated. But that isn't sure.

And now to me! My name is Karin Kopke and I am fourteen years old. When you see my mistakes and that are surely not few, you know that I'm just learning English. I go on a secondary school. I live with my parents in Friedrichsfeld, that's a place near Spellen.

Now the occassion of my writing. I'm very interested in English and later I want to take an occupation with witch has to do something with English. So I would be very pleased, if you had a girl or boy in your family or circle wich is as old as I or some years elder who wants to correspond with me. I am interested in politics, sports, music, and of course in writing letters in English.

Dear Mrs. Johnson, perhaps it is possible you to find a girl or a boy to correspond with me! I would be so pleased and obliged to you. Please, write back to me. If you have a non-friend for me, he or she can write to me, with a photo, please. And now excuse, that I wrote so checky and unknown to you!

Many friendly compliments to you.

Karin Kopke

P.s. I got the address from Gerhard Gompert, who lives in Spellen with the Isselhorsts.

The return address on the letter was: Karin Kopke
4222 Friedrichsfeld
Laboratoriumstr. 98a
Germany

The following records were copied down in Germany by Leon Gompert when he was stationed there.

NO. 261

Wreschen, on 27 November 1900

Death Certificate of Elisabeth Gompert (Jacob's wife)

For the undersigned city clerk let it be known that the retired farmer (large living quarters, buildings and land), living in Wilhelmsau, reported that his wife, Elisabeth Gompert (born Stuhlfart), 59 years old, Evangelical religion (Luthern), living in Wilhelmsau with her husband, born in Spellen Kries (area or county) Ruhrort, daughter of the Spellen deceased farmer, Bernhard Stuhlfart, and his wife, Katherina, born Nehles, (who also just passed away), died in Wilhelmsau, in her present home, the 26th of November, 1900, in the forenoon at 10:00 hour.

Read, accepted, and signed,
Jacob Gompert

City Clerk
Seydel

(Some Polish Statements, here, appear to transfer this document or copy it in Wrzesnia, Poland)

NO. 132

Wreschen, on 1 July 1919

Death Certificate of Jacob Gompert

The First Judge (similar to a district judge) in Gnesen, has announced that the farmer, Jacob Gompert, Husband of Elisabeth Gompert, born Sturefest (probably in error-should be Stuhlfart), 74 years, 4 months, and 28 days old, Evangelic (luthern) religion, living in Wilhelmsau, Kreis (county) Ruhrort, parents of the deceased not known, died in Wilhelmsau, on the 24th of May, 1919, in the forenoon at a quarter to eleven hour.

(There is a note here by the registrar that, "The previous 18 printed words crossed out." This pertains to parts of this standard form not needed.)

CITY CLERK

Richter, substituting

(Some Polish statements, here, appear to transfer this document or copy it in Wrzesnia, Poland)

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From the Marriage register of the Evangelical Parish of Spellen. Jakob Gompert, tailor, Evangelical, son of Jakob G. and Mechtilde, born Orthmann, and Elisabeth Stuhlfart, widow of Hermann Paschen, daughter of Bernhard Stuhlfart and Katharina, born Nehles, Evangelical, were married 12 August 1875 in the Evangelical Church in Spellen.

For his Righteousness of the exert.
Spellen, on 7 February 1934

Boelitz (signed), Pastor

THE DAVID C. GOMPERT
LETTERS

In the middle part of 1974 it was noticed by myself (Michael Gompert) an article in the Scottsbluff Star-Herald pertaining to the Secretary of State, Henry Kissinger. The article noted that Mr. Kissinger had a special assistant by the name of David C. Gompert. Thinking that this was just a misprint, I neglected to pursue it. The article was then given to Donna Gompert and a letter was written to the David Gompert in Washington, D.C.. Royce and Donna having a son by the same name, but quite a few years younger, eagerly awaited a response. Soon after November 1974 a letter came to light. One to David Gompert from David Gompert. It Follows:

David Gompert
State Department
Washington, D.C.

David Gompert
Route 1
Mitchell, Nebraska

Dear David,

Just as I was about to conclude that I was the only David Gompert in the world, your letter ended my apprehension. Let me tell you a bit about me and, more importantly, my family's background.

I am 29 yrs. old. I grew up in Northern New Jersey and Western Pennsylvania; went to college at the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis; went to graduate school at Princeton. I am 5' 10", about 160 lbs, brown hair, brown eyes, married, with no children. I work at the State Department as Henry Kissinger's Special Assistant.

My father's name is Charles Henry Gompert (age 62; lives in New Jersey now; born in West New York, New Jersey). My Grandfather was Charles Henry Gompert, Sr., who was born in New York City and lived in New Jersey for most of his life. My Great Grandfather was named Louis Gompert and was born in Calicoon Center, Sullivan County, (upstate) New York, in around 1860. His father was a German immigrant.

I can and will provide more information if you are interested. And of course I would be most pleased if you could let me know about your family's history.

Sincerely,

David C. Gompert

P.S. My middle initial stands for Charles.

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NOTE: In a partial research of this I looked in the 1860 census of the United States, particularly Sullivan Co., New York. I found 14 Gumpert's Listed. (Census takers usually spelled names how they sounded)

THE DAVID C. GOMPERT
LETTERS cont.

After graduating from school and seriously working on the family tree I began to look for this illusive David Gompert, since no contact was kept up with him. Finally in the Summer of 1980 I located him with the help of Congresswoman Virginia Smith's office in Scottsbluff Nebraska. The letter is as follows:

June 3, 1980

Dear Michael,

I have been meaning for some time to respond to you and your cousin David. I'm glad you have been persistent.

I have sent a copy of your informative recent letter to my father, Charles H. Gompert. While he may not have at hand more information on the Gompert family than I sent your cousin back in 1974, perhaps your letter will stimulate him to do some research.

I am really impressed that you have come up with some information about the Gompert's of Calicoon Center. Lewis Gompert must be my great-grandfather. My grandfather, also a Charles H. Gompert, was born in 1884. His father's age was probably about 30, which means that the Lewis Gompert you discovered was in all likelihood my great-grandfather if he was about 6 years old in 1860. Do you know? Incidentally, we thought my great-grandfather spelled his name Louis, not Lewis.

Do you have any way of determining whether and when a link may have existed between your Gompert ancestors and mine? Where is Wesel? I think my Gompert's came from Southern Germany--Swabia, if I'm not mistaken.

Since I last wrote, my wife Cynthia and I have had two children: a boy (now 4) Christian and a girl (now 2) Elisa ("Ellie"). We were fascinated to learn that my great-great uncle in Calicoon Center was named Christian.

I am working at the State Department again. I deal with European matters quite a bit, and I go to Germany - though infrequently. I'll try to take some time when I'm there again - who knows when - to track down the Gompert name. Don't count on much success; Germany is a big place - probably 60-70 million. But I'll give it a try.

I don't think we can make the picnic ((Gompert)) this year. But surely some of the Nebraska Gompert's come to the nation's capitol. If so, have them get in touch with us.

Please send me a picture of as many Nebraska Gompert's, as possible. We'd like to see if there are any physical similarities. I kind of doubt that there would be after all these generations.

Please don't hesitate to write again. And give your cousin and the rest of your family our best.

Best wishes,

David C. Gompert
1213 Prince St.
Alexandria, Va. 22314

NOT THE END - JUST THE BEGINNING

After many years of searching and researching families and family members, I have accumulated numerous records (see Appendix A) and have tried to re-live or at least follow what their lives must have been like. Altho it is very difficult to completely piece together a person's life which had covered 70-80 years in only a short period of research. Hopefully, I can continue working on the family tree and below will be several areas that can be explored more fully.

To make the researchers job much easier, it would have been nice if the four original brothers (Jacob, John, Hermann, and Gerhardt) who came to America would have taken time to write down the things that had happened to them during their life time. It may be thought that passing the family by word of mouth is sufficient, or one might say; "I'll record it later". The problem with this is that too many times a family history or events are forgotten or may lose its accuracy when passed from one generation to another. What is even worse, a family member may die and his stories and important facts that he has accumulated during his life are also gone if they were not written down before hand. This is why I feel it is important that we write down or record our lives some way before it is too late; write your own personal history.

Much is and much has been written about the Gompert family. My work is not yet complete, but it is said that a genealogist's work is never done. This book is only a partial collection of the records that I have in my possession. Someday down the road they may also be included in this book. A list of the other records and materials that I have accumulated may be seen in the appendix.

One branch of the Gompert family that needs investigating is the one of David C. Gompert, who was found in Washington D.C. and lives in Alexandria, Virginia. I have corresponded with him a couple of times and not much is known of him or his family yet. As time goes on, I hope to get more information and will continue to look for the "Missing Link". I assume they are a part of the family because the Gompert name is not a very common name and we know of the large families of Johann Gompert, and Johann himself must have come from a large family. Possibly, David is a decendent of one of these families. Two of David's letters are found in the section of "Other Gompert Families".

Another area of interest might be the history of the Gompert family picnic. From what I understand, in the beginning, part of the families got together to celebrate each others birthdays and gradually all the families were included and it has grown to what it is today. The various places that were chosen to assemble included: parks in Scottsbluff, Mitchell, Morrill, Nebraska; Gurnsey, Wyoming; Agate, Nebraska and near White City, which is near Henry, Nebraska. Meals were usually carried in by the families and afterwards was spent socializing and taking family pictures. Many pictures were taken by the Rev. Lawrence Dry who was minister of many of the families. Many of his slides are now on permanent file and can be viewed on a slide projector. The earliest date of a Gompert picnic that was located in the local news paper was in June, 1932, "The Gompert families enjoyed their annual picnic Sunday at White City. There were 54 present, 41 having the Gompert name, the rest being inlaws". (Found in the MITCHELL INDEX) More searching may come up with an earlier date.

A story in itself might be one concerning Werner and Erika Prautzsch, also considered members of the family by many of us. Both were born and raised in East Germany. They found their way to America in 1951 only after Werner (being in the German Army in World War II) was captured in 1944 by the American forces. As a prisoner of war he was in New York, Missouri, and later at Mitchell, Nebraska. Here he met many families and one family in particular, the Herman Gompert's sponsored Werner's return to the United States after the war was over. In 1947 he applied for immigration, 1950 married Erika and in 1951 the immigration became a reality.

One more area of interest that might be added to the Gompert History is the story of Fairview School District #34. From the beginning of the settlers migration to this area it was thought that they must educate their children. From my research I have found that the settlers children, our grandfathers and grandmothers, attended this and other schools in the area. They attended schools such as Mitchell, the Thomas School, or the one near the Thooey beet dump, or the one that was located west of the Sand Hills beef feedlot, which was first called Fairview, because this school had a good view out into the valley. The school or the idea of having a school was originally formed only after several of the Gompert's and other families got enough money together to form the school. In the BUSINESS FARMER, August 15, 1980, a short article is written by Julie Dappen on the school, telling a small portion of its history.

Today, Lynn Scott (head teacher at Fairview) is investigating the history of the school and possibly something will be published and be available to any one who wants it. The school was formed in 1906 and in 1981 it was 75 years old. As in 1987-1989 the Gomperts will have been in America 100 years.

If a history of the school is published, it would be a great tribute to this building and the families of Dutch Flats, many who have contributed to it and many who have had the fortune to attend.

The one last comment I must make and it is pretty much a repetition of what I have said many times before, and it is that I hope every one will take time to record the things that happens to them during their lives. See if you can start a personal history of yourself. Hopefully, this book will help you to do that, and if it doesn't seem important to you, do it for your kids and their kids, kids.

Michael E. Gompert 1981

1954

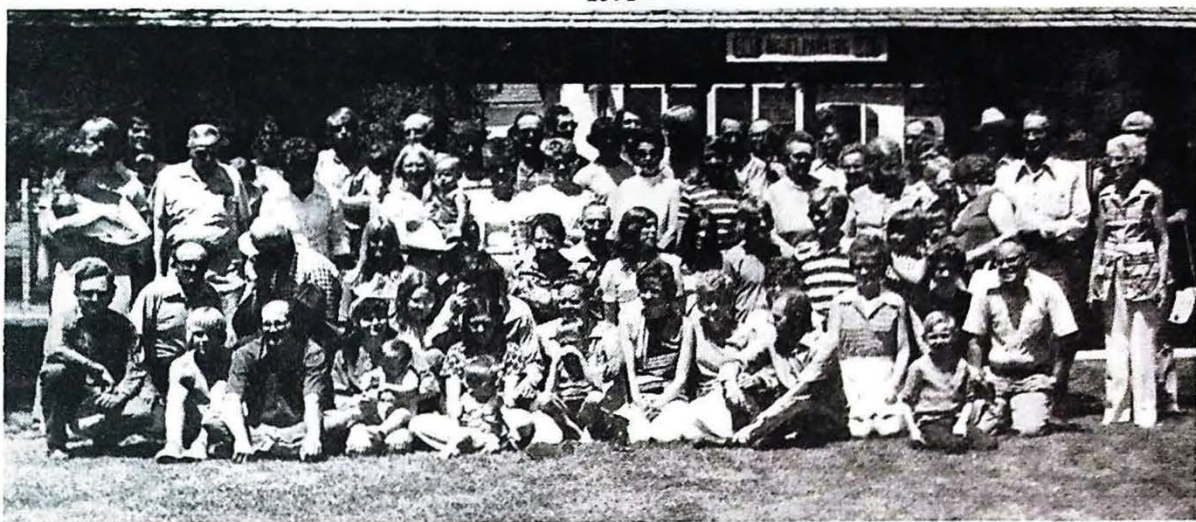


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Gompert Picnic Held Sunday

The annual Gompert picnic was held Sunday, June 28, 1981 at the Mitchell Park.

Of those attending, approximately 80 were descendants of Jacob, Gerhardt, Hermann, and John Gompert who were early settlers to this area in the 1880's.

Not much is known when the first picnic was held but it is thought that the Gompert families and relatives have been meeting for over 50 years. A June, 1932 article in the MITCHELL INDEX states, "The Gompert families enjoyed their annual picnic Sunday at White City. There were 54 present, 41 having the Gompert name, the rest being in-laws."

The oldest member present at the Sunday gathering was Henry R. Gompert, who will be 88 this fall. The youngest guest was the son of Thomas and Ann Gompert, Michael Thomas Gompert, who is about 7 weeks old.

A highlight of this year's picnic was the making of homemade ice cream. The rest of the day was spent visiting, swimming in the local pool and taking pictures which will be included in the Gompert Family History.

One important item that was discussed was the changing of the date for the picnic. June being a very busy month, it was decided that the 1982 picnic will be held on the first Sunday in August.

Annual Gompert picnic Sunday

Sunday, August 1, 1982 the annual Gompert picnic was held at the Stamon cabin on Little Lake Alice. There were 79 adults and 47 children in attendance.

Once again, the oldest Gompert to attend was Henry R. Gompert, 88 years young. The youngest in attendance was Derrick L. Perkins, son of Mark and Karen (Gompert) Perkins, being only 17 days old.

Added to this year's picnic was an attendance record which will be kept in a scrap book along with pictures and letters from relatives that were unable to attend. A donation bucket and suggestion bucket were also added. Comments or new ideas will be used for next year's picnic and the donations will be used for various projects.

The committee for the 1982 picnic had things well organized. Following the meal a brief meeting was held after which games were played. There were wagon races, piggy-back races, three-legged races and raw egg tosses. The winner of the adult egg toss was the team of Bonnie and Leon Gompert with a toss of approximately 60 feet!

After the games, family pictures were taken and many enjoyed boating, tubing and swimming in the lake.

The committee for the 1983 Gompert picnic is Clayton and Janet Johnson, Jim and Colleen Darnell and Mike and Shirley Gompert.

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